





## British tourist stabbed to death and friend knifed on Costa del Sol

By Richard Wigg

Linda Bradley, aged 25, from London who was on holiday in Torremolinos, on the Costa del Sol, Spain, was stabbed to death yesterday by three young men when she struggled to prevent them stealing her handbag.

Her friend, Miss Christine Ann Batty, aged 30 also from London, who was strolling along Torremolinos's main boulevard with her was also severely wounded in the attack at 2am. Doctors at the Carlos Haya hospital in Malaga said after performing an operation on her liver that she was making progress although her condition combining shock and loss of blood remained grave.

The two women, who were staying in a Torremolinos Holiday Club hotel, were the latest victims of the so-called

"Tironeros", literally those who pull the violence, on the Costa del Sol, which has been plagued by crime this year.

The girls tried to defend their handbags from the snatchers, although local people, resigned to the crime wave, confessed they often prefer to surrender their valuables instead of taking on the knife-carrying criminals.

Those strolling along the illuminated Paseo Maritimo in the early hours, local people say are particularly likely victims of the Tironeros.

Linda Bradley was pronounced dead immediately on arrival at the Malaga clinic. The attack, according to local sources, was the first involving the death of a foreign person on the Costa del Sol this summer.

Burglaries, bag-snatchings and thefts from cars have been an almost daily occurrence on the popularly-dubbed "Costa del Crime" this summer in spite of a specially strengthened police force having mounted a security operation "Summer '84" along the 100-mile coastal belt.

British tourists have been among the victims, often of the Tironeros. The British Consulate in Malaga has already issued more than 250 emergency passports this year, nearly all of them replacing those stolen.

## Porsche offer man traced to US

By Colin Hughes

The owner of the company which took deposits on Porsche and Mercedes cars to be imported from Germany at cut-price rates and has so far failed to deliver, is now in Long Beach, California, inquiries by The Times show.

Mr Andrew Palmer can be contacted at a firm which trades under the name of Trans-American Import, and is living in an apartment near by.

His firm, based at Milton Keynes, Buckinghamshire, has taken several thousand pounds in deposits on German cars from customers who visited a promotions tent set up at two race meetings at Brands Hatch earlier this summer.

Mr John Atkins, a joint partner in a City-based firm, Blues Ltd, which set up the Brands Hatch promotions, said yesterday that Mr Palmer's United Kingdom company, TLG International Vehicle Management, owes him £34,000 for the work. His partner, Mr Lawrence Cook, also paid TLG a deposit of £7,000 for a Porsche Turbo car which had not been delivered.

Blues Ltd are paying a Long Beach surveillance agency to watch Mr Palmer so that they can recover the money they have paid if he returns to this country.

## Pension costs old soldier council security job

A former Army cook has lost his fight for a job with the Labour controlled St Helens district council in Merseyside.

Mr Gordon Lyon, aged 52, who lives in St Helens, has been ruled ineligible for the council's Security force vacancy, which is still unfilled after more than two months.

The ruling has been made despite the fact that Mr Lyon, who left the Catering Corps in 1978 after 22 years' service, has already fulfilled a 12-months council security force contract, finishing with a glowing reference from the chief officer.

Behind the council's decision is his £12.50 a week army pension, but Mr Lyon said: "All I want is a job. It looks as though I am being punished because I once served for my

Queen and country. It is wrong that I should be denied a job and I am going to carry on fighting". The meagre pension has left Mr Lyon with his phone cut off because he cannot pay the bills.

A council spokeswoman confirmed that Mr Lyon had been turned down because he receives an Army pension. She said: "Mr Lyon was in the first batch of people employed with the security force when it was set up."

Since that time, the council has introduced a policy of not employing people who have taken voluntary redundancy or are in receipt of an occupational pension, so he is no longer eligible for employment with this council. She added that there are still 40 vacancies in the security force.

## RAC attacks 'bottleneck' by-pass plans

The Royal Automobile Club yesterday criticized government plans to build new single track by-passes as a "short sighted and cheeseparing" move which would create accident black spots. In a letter to Mrs Lynda Chalker, Minister for Transport, it called for an urgent review of by-pass plans to substitute dual carriageways.

Mr Toni Lee, the RAC's director of public affairs, said: "With many by-passes to be started soon, it is vital to ensure that design standards are satisfactory."

The RAC quotes as an example the plan to construct the Liphook-Petersfield by-pass - part of the London to Portsmouth road - with a single track ten metres wide. It says the rest of the route will consist of dual carriageways funneling traffic into a dangerous bottleneck.

## Parents gain by buying homes for students

Parents of students at Oxford University are buying houses and flats for them, to overcome a shortage of college rooms, and high rents in the private sector.

After three or four years when their children have finished at the university they are able to sell the property, often at a handsome profit. Some parents buy large houses and rent out the rooms to several students.

Mr John Lewis, of Carter Jonas estate agents, believes the trend of buying property for students is increasing.

He said: "A lot of the wealthier parents are buying small flats and houses for their children. There seems to be a gradual decline in the amount of rented accommodation available."

Some of the flats and houses get some rough use, but the parents rarely lose money on their investment. Mr Lewis said. When they sold the property they were almost certain to make a good profit.

## Alert to keep boys in Britain

Scotland Yard and Interpol were on alert last night to stop Professor Muhammad El-Bakly, of the King Faisal University in Oman, who is thought to be leaving Britain with his two sons.

The move came after Mr Justice Wood in the Family Division of the High Court in London yesterday appeared for publicity to trace the boys, who are wards of court.

Professor El-Bakly has failed to return his sons to their mother. The boys, Yaser, aged 13, and Samir, aged seven, both born in Britain, were to be handed back to their mother, Mrs Abia El-Bakly, of Meshaw Crescent, Abington Vale, Northamptonshire, on Monday.

## Airports record

A record 5.4 million passengers used the seven airports run by the British Airports Authority in July, a 7.4 per cent increase on the previous highest level in the same month last year. The airports are Heathrow, Gatwick, Stansted, Glasgow, Edinburgh, Prestwick and Aberdeen.

## Rates retreat

Mrs Joan Le Mesurier, widow of John Le Mesurier, the actor, has agreed to pay her rates after being threatened with bailiffs. Mrs Le Mesurier had withheld more than £400 in rates in protest about heavy traffic passing her home in Ramsgate.

## Suitcase scare

Royal Navy bomb disposal experts used two controlled explosions to blow up a suitcase left in a subway near the railway station at Poole, Dorset, yesterday. Inter-city trains were delayed for 2½ hours. The case turned out to contain only clothes.

## TV strike talks

Talks aimed at settling the dispute which has blacked out Thames Television since last Monday will resume this morning, according to a spokesman for the Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service.

## Dugdale crash

A car driven by Miss Rose Dugdale, the Sinn Féin member, who was jailed for an £8m art robbery in the 1970s, was involved in an accident in which a man died in Dublin on Thursday night.

## Pool baptism

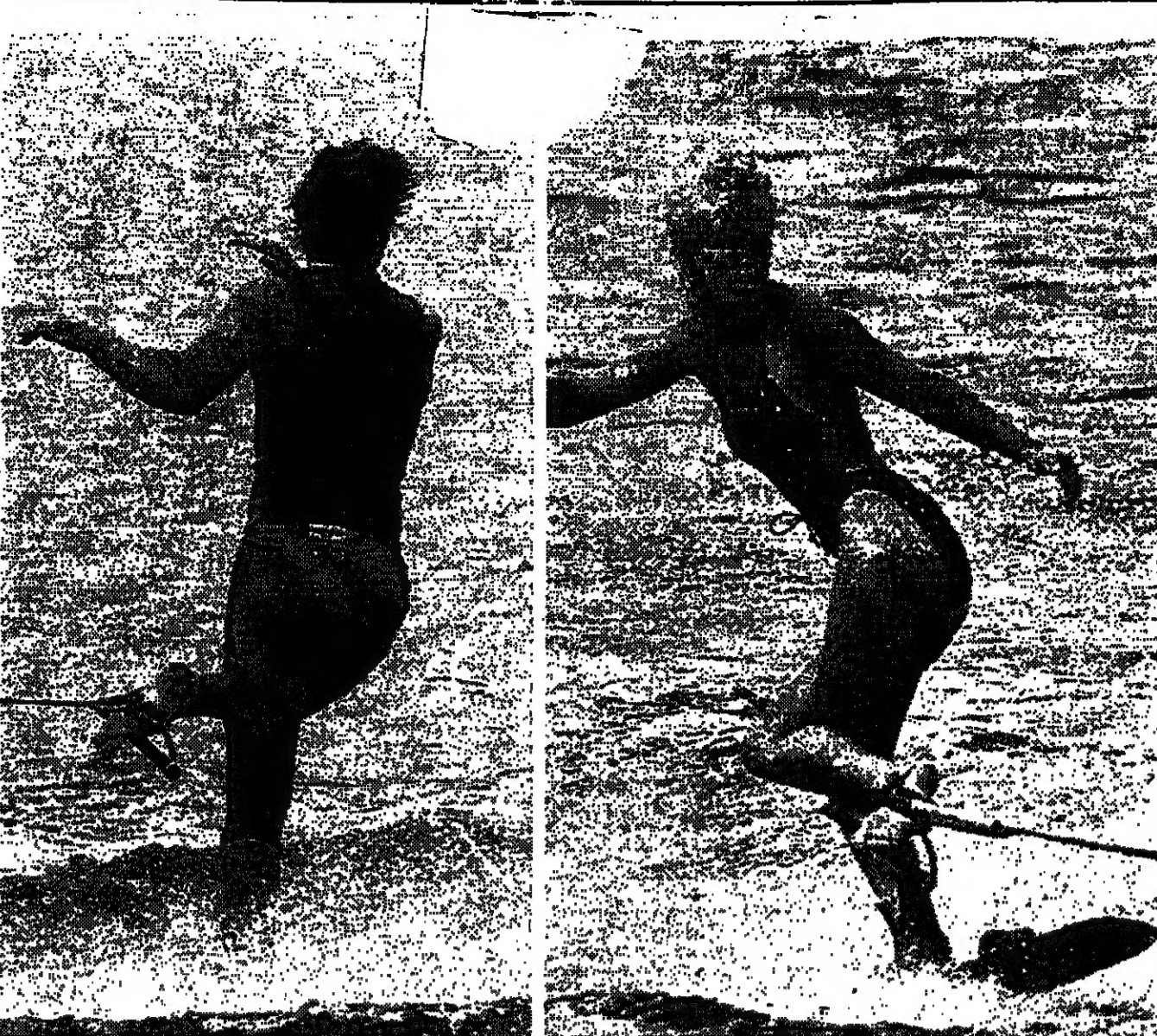
A church in Nuneaton, Warwickshire, will save water by baptizing 25 new members by the town's swimming pool tomorrow. The Rev John King usually baptises people by submerging them in a 3,000-gallon pool outside the Calvary Church.

## Poison claim

Police are investigating a claim by an unnamed "loyalist" group that it was responsible for hiding a sealed container of domestic poison among frozen food at Siewarts supermarket, Belfast. No stock was contaminated.

## Arsonist hunt

Police were searching for an arsonist yesterday after the eighteenth blaze on the Duffryn Estate, Newport, Gwent. Most attacks were on pensioners' homes.



Fluid movement: Jeff McClintock, of Canada, and Helena Kjellander, of Sweden, in the figures event of the KP world Cup water-skiing contest at Princes Ski Club, Bedford, west London, yesterday (Photographs: John Voos).

## Tour operators' failures need £2m rescue

By Derek Harris  
Commercial Editor

An emergency fund set up to compensate holidaymakers when tour operators go out of business may have to find as much as £2m because two failed tour companies' bonds were too small.

This will increase pressures for compulsory holiday insurance, paid for by tour operators.

At present, Sir Kenneth Selby, chairman of the Air Travel Reserve Fund - the "last resort" cash source for holidaymakers' losses - is preparing plans to put to the Government on compulsory insurance.

The biggest bill the fund is likely to face comes after the crash last month of London-based Vantage Holidays, which went out of business with 4,000 holidaymakers abroad and

another 11,000 with holidays booked.

An early estimate of the cost to the fund, taking into account Vantage's bond of about £285,000, was nearly £1.8, but the latest estimates suggest £1.5m or possibly less.

In July, Peter Holden, a Southport-based tour company, collapsed with some 3,000 holidaymakers booked to go abroad. It had put up bond

cash of about £30,000 but the scale of the losses involved could mean a bill to the reserve fund of up to £200,000.

There have been nine other financial collapses among tour operators since April, but bonding and other arrangements have been adequate. However, there are fears in the trade that there are still more to come within the next two months.

## Youth stole £10,000 for fruit machines

Richard Ward, a catering student, became so obsessed with fruit machines that he stole more than £10,000 to satisfy the mania that cost him £100 a week. Warwick Crown Court was told yesterday.

Ward, aged 17 of Acocks Green, Birmingham, was sentenced to a year's youth custody after admitting three charges of burglary and asking for 42 others to be considered.

Mr Timothy Raggatt, for the prosecution, said Ward travelled by bus to burglarise houses, where he stole watches, jewelry and coins. "Anything valuable and easily convertible into quick cash, all of which went into slot machines", he said.

From one house alone Ward escaped with property worth £3,000. He was frank with the police and showed them many of the houses he had burgled. "It was a remarkable feat of memory", Mr Raggatt said.

Mr John Saunders, for the defence, said Ward had been a popular and bright student, but his obsession had destroyed his promising future. He had turned to stealing after selling all his possessions.

Mr Saunders said that although Ward had stolen goods valued at £10,127, he had been paid little when he sold them.

Judge Gosting told Ward: "It is terrible for a young man like you with good prospects to be hit by a mania and to satisfy it by committing burglaries."

## Baby's mother released

A mother who left her injured baby aged 21 months at Guy's Hospital, London, earlier this week has been released by police after questioning.

The police are looking for a boy friend of the woman. They said the baby's real name is Tyra Neil, not Julie Miller as previously believed. She is very ill on a ventilator.

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## Strangled woman was walking dog

Miss Glennie Coe, aged 27, who was found murdered in station car park in Guildford, Surrey, was strangled during a five-minute walk to exercise her old English sheepdog.

Her boy friend, who has not yet been named, yesterday gave police a detailed statement about how he found her body. It is understood that he worked with Miss Coe and became concerned about her safety when she failed to arrive for work on Thursday morning.

The murdered woman's next-door neighbour, Mrs Pamela Roper, said that Miss Coe, and

her boy friend often went out for walks together with the dog, called Tara, and would arrive back at the flat late at night.

Miss Coe's body is believed to have lain among weeds on waste ground adjacent to the car park of the busy commuter station.

It was discovered only 100 yards from her home in York Road. Thousands of commuters has passed close to the spot.

Her boy friend had been telephoning the police and hospitals trying to find her after hearing from her employers that she had not arrived for work.

He went to the flat and found the dog very distressed and her purse and office keys still there.

Police said last night that house-to-house inquiries in the area of the station were continuing, although they had no links which pointed to the identity of the killer.

Miss Coe left the North east six years ago and was manageress of Ladbrokes betting shop in Woking. Colleagues there said: "she was extremely popular with everyone and very well liked. We are all terribly shocked at what has happened."



## Ambulancemen dismissed for ignoring 999 call about dying boys in tank

Two ambulance officers have been dismissed for treating as a hoax an emergency call about an incident in which two teenage boys died, it was disclosed yesterday.

The Northumbria Ambulance Service issued a statement about an internal inquiry into the case. It said there had been "a serious breach of standing orders that there should be an immediate response to all 999 calls".

Tony Cowie, aged 16, and his brother Michael, aged 14, of Suffolk Place, Gateshead, Tyne and Wear, died on August 18 after falling into a chemical tank.

Patrick Henderson, aged 15, who was with them, called an ambulance, but it was only when the police rang 36 minutes later that one was sent, the statement said.

An inquest into the death of the brothers was opened and adjourned for tests on the contents of the chemical tank at Tank Cleaning Service, Oakwellgate, Gateshead.

The boys' mother said that although it was reported that they had drowned, their bodies had been badly burnt when they were recovered from the tank.

Patrick Henderson, also of Suffolk Place, said yesterday that he doubted whether the brothers could have been saved even if an ambulance had come at once.

"I don't think it would have made any difference, because before I ran for help I looked over the edge of the tank and couldn't see any sign of movement, so I think they were already dead."

He added that when he rang for an ambulance he said it was an emergency several times. "But they didn't seem to understand what I meant."

The statement by the ambulance service said an emergency call was received at 7.30 pm on August 18, but before full details were completed the caller, believed to be a young man, rang off.

"The call was assumed to be a hoax and no ambulance was dispatched until a second call via the police at the scene of an incident at Oakwellgate was received at 8.06 pm."

One of the dismissed officers is a member of the Confederation of Health Service Employees which did not wish to comment before the inquest verdict.

The other officer is a member of the National Union of Public Employees, which also did not wish to comment.

## BBC attacked over masts plan

The Royal Shakespeare Theatre and a Conservative MP have accused the BBC External Services of making absurd, misleading and distorted statements about its plan to site a new transmitter near the theatre at Stratford.

Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for the Environment, is considering the evidence of a public inquiry into a proposal to put up a transmitter at Bearley, three miles from the centre of Stratford.

The theatre's joint artistic directors, Mr Trevor Nunn and Mr Terry Hands, have said in letters to *The Times* that they think the effect of high-power transmissions on electronic equipment could kill performances and the theatre.

An unsigned BBC External Services defence of the plan, received by Mr Alan Howarth,

Conservative MP for Stratford-upon-Avon, says that the scheme is crucial part of a programme to boost broadcasts to the Soviet bloc.

The memorandum says: "Nothing would please the Politburo more than to Britain's international voice that a refusal of permission to build at Bearley would represent."

It also says that the 24 metre masts, up to 300 ft, would not be visible from Stratford, that "there is no reason to believe that commercial computer installations or equipment at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre will be affected" and that "claims of potential disaster have been extravagant".

But Mr Howarth said yesterday: "It is absurd to suggest that opposition to the choice of the Bearley site is unpatriotic and

## Mondale in bold budget challenge to Reagan

From Bailey Morris Washington

Mr Walter Mondale has taken a decision, unprecedented in contemporary American politics, to release a detailed, four-year budget programme outlining the domestic and foreign policy priorities he would tackle if elected president.

The high-risk campaign strategy was adopted by Mr Mondale after weeks of closed-door sessions with advisers who urged the Democratic challenger to take a bold step to channel the campaign debate back to issues and away from personalities.

Public opinion polls have indicated the Mr Mondale has a chance of closing the gap in the presidential race, which officially gets under way on Monday, Labour Day, if he can force President Reagan to debate the issues rather than campaign on his abilities as a leader.

This was the main reason Mr Mondale decided to release, over the next few weeks, a detailed outline of programmes he will pursue to raise taxes and cut defence and domestic projects over the next four years, Democratic advisers disclosed in interviews with *The Times*.

The aim of the campaign strategy was to force President Reagan on the defensive by pressing him publicly to respond to Mr Mondale's programme for reducing record budget deficits with specific priorities of his own.

"Either President Reagan has a plan which he will not disclose or he doesn't have one, which is even more disturbing," an adviser to Mr Mondale said.

Recent public opinion polls taken by both political parties have shown unusually strong voter concern, particularly among businessmen in towns across America, over the potentially crippling effects of budget deficits projected at up to \$263bn (£200bn) by the 1989 fiscal year.

It was in response to this concern that Mr Mondale took the politically bold step of announcing in his acceptance speech at the Democratic convention last month that he would raise taxes to reduce the deficit if elected.

He attempted to project himself as a strong leader who would take politically difficult steps when necessary, saying his own intentions of hiding his own intentions, which he would not disclose, plan to raise taxes.

Initially, the Mondale strategy appeared to work. Mr Reagan was forced to respond. He began by stating unequivocally he would not raise taxes, but later, under questioning on the campaign trail and in response to pressure from Wall Street critics, he indicated he would raise them only as a last resort.

The tax issue got lost, however, in the furor which developed later over the personal finances and tax repayment records of Ms Geraldine Ferraro, Mr Mondale's running mate.

Over the next few weeks, when the campaign gets under way in earnest, the Democrats hope to take the initiative again by releasing the budget programme and hammering away at President Reagan's record on specific programmes, such as medical benefits for the elderly, and tuition benefits for the middle class, where he is thought to be vulnerable.

Mr Mondale will launch his first official joint campaign schedule with Ms Ferraro on Monday in New York. Following the appearance of Ms Ferraro's home state, the Democrats will make an appearance in Minnesota, Mr Mondale's home state, and then on to California, a crucial state in deciding election outcomes.

From the beginning, Mr Reagan's strategy has been to avoid discussion of specific issues which would reduce the record budget deficit. White House aides have said Mr Reagan does have a plan, but he will not discuss it before the election, because to do so would be "to throw up politically-tough issues for the other side to shoot down", in the words of Mr David Stockman, Mr Reagan's budget adviser.

The disclosures of Mr Mondale's plans followed the announcement by the 1.9 million-member teamsters union that it would endorse the candidacy of Mr Reagan, thus becoming the first trade union to move to the Republican side.



Moving closer: Mr Peres (left) and Mr Shamir in Jerusalem yesterday.

## Peres and Shamir may share job

Mr Shimon Peres, the Prime Minister designate, and Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the outgoing Prime Minister, yesterday discussed a draft agreement under which each would head the Government for two years and one month until the next parliamentary elections in 1988.

In separate interviews after their meeting in Jerusalem, the leaders said the proposal was part of a package that could not yet be wrapped up because of differences about the distribution of portfolios and some unsettled points on the government programme.

They will meet again tomorrow evening after consulting their associates. Whatever agreement they reach will have to be ratified by the central committee of their respective parties.

It was learnt that Mr Shamir and Mr Peres have been

From Moshe Brilliant, Tel Aviv

talked in terms of a Cabinet in which each party would have 12 seats but would be entitled to assign part of its quota to associate parties. Labour is committed to giving a place to Mr Ezer Weizman of Yehud, and Likud is committed to several religious groups.

Mr Peres, negotiating under a mandate from President Herzog, strongly opposed rotating the premiership but softened his stand when it became clear that smaller parties in the splintered Parliament had lined up in a way that made it impossible for Likud or Labour to form a narrow-based coalition. The only options left were new elections or a broad coalition of national unity.

Mr Haim Ramon, a Labour backbencher, said yesterday he was organizing opposition in the Central Committee to the rotation agreement. Leaders of the left-wing Mapam party,

which occupies six of the 44 Labour Alignment seats in Parliament, said after hearing a report from Mr Peres that they would recommend breaking up the Alignment if the Labour Party went through with the plan as presented.

In the rival camp, the right-wing Techiya Party talked of going into opposition because they feared that Jewish settlements in the West Bank would be obstructed.

Likud politicians demanded that if Mr Peres claims first shot at the premiership, Likud should be compensated with the defence and foreign affairs portfolios. Under the Peres proposal, Mr Yitzhak Rabin of Labour would be the Defence Minister and Mr Shamir would be Foreign Minister.

Other Likud leaders, including Mr Ariel Sharon, argued that Mr Shamir should be Prime Minister for the first two years.

## 24 missing as jumbo burns on runway

Yaounde (Reuters) - Twenty-four people on an aircraft which caught fire at Cameroon's Douala airport on Thursday were still unaccounted for last night Yaounde Radio said.

In the latest of a series of conflicting reports on the number of dead and injured, the radio said 90 of the 116 people on board were treated; 87 injuries in three Douala hospitals. Earlier it said 100 people died, though later revising this to two people.

The plane, a Cameroon Airlines Boeing 737, caught fire while taxiing to the runway of Douala airport on its way to Yaounde. Police spoke of explosions. An appeal went out to passengers who escaped to present themselves to a commission of inquiry.

## Trek to Pole called stupid

Christchurch (AP) - A plan by two Englishmen, Robert Sear and Roger Mear, to walk 870 miles to the South Pole has been attacked by Mr Bob Thomson, director of the Antarctic division of New Zealand's Department of Scientific and Industrial Research as "bloody stupid" and outdated.

"These adventure-seeking people must realize the days for this sort of adventure are over. Two expeditions did it nearly three-quarters of a century ago," he said.

## Lawyer holds up power switch-on

Berlin (Reuters) - A West Berlin lawyer, Herr Rainer Guelen, said he has won a court injunction to stop the controversial Buschhaus coal-fired power station from going on stream next Monday. The court in Brunswick upheld his plea that health reasons overrode economic interests, he said.

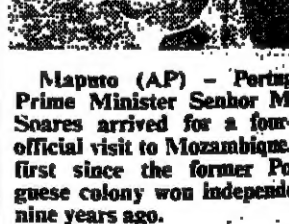
The Lower Saxony state government claimed it faced huge financial penalties if it withheld a go-ahead, it is to appeal.

## Diplomat jailed

Frankfurt (Reuters) - A Zambian diplomat, Zulu Banda Mwenyemanzini, aged 46, Second Secretary at the Zambian Embassy in Delhi, was sentenced to 14 years imprisonment for smuggling 27lb of heroin into West Germany. He could not claim diplomatic immunity since he was not accredited in West Germany, where the offence was committed.

## Soares back

Maputo (AP) - Portugal's Prime Minister Senhor Mario Soares arrived for a four-day official visit to Mozambique, his first since the former Portuguese colony won independence nine years ago.



## Sex success

Stanford (AFP) - A centuries-old African "love potion", the chemical yohimbine found in tree bark, that makes rats crazy is being tested on humans, researchers at Stanford University in California report.

## Hon hijacker

Taipei (AP) - A Hongkong man, Liang Weijiang, aged 28, who forced a Peking-bound British Airways airliner with 355 people to Taipei last March received an 18-month suspended sentence when the Taipei District Court decided his actions were motivated by his hatred of communism.

## 'Plotters' freed

Dallas (Reuters) - Four Iranians, four Jordanians and a Syrian, all University students, who were arrested last week suspected of plotting an attack against the Republican Party convention have been cleared of terrorist suspicion and released by police.

## Red handed

New York (AP) - A youth who lost a fingertip while allegedly trying to snatch a woman's gold chain through a bus window was arrested when he sought hospital treatment at the moment police were handing in the severed digit. It was immediately reattached.

## School begins with teachers' pay protest

Thousands of school children will start the new school year on Monday by being sent home early because of protest action by the National Union of Teachers.

The 235,000 members of the union will refuse supervise lunchtimes, cover for absent colleagues or take part in any activities outside school hours.

The action concerns what the union claims are delays in reaching an arbitrated settlement of the pay dispute which disrupted schools for most of last term.

The union says that it prepared its submission to the three-member arbitration panel, once arbitration was agreed, within days. Employers, it says, held up the arbitration meeting by delaying their submission

and delaying nominations for the panel.

The arbitration meeting was finally held two weeks ago and its decision is expected to be announced next week. The arbitrators will report to Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education and Science.

Mr Doug McAvoy, the union's deputy general secretary, rejected suggestions that the action was petty, as it was bound to be called off as soon as the arbitration decision was known.

The Department of Education and Science called the action regrettable. It said: "We do not yet have the report of the arbitrators and even when we receive it the Secretary of State will have to consider the arbitrators' recommendations."

## Sock choked prisoner to death

A prisoner choked himself to death by putting a sock in his mouth while in a cell, a fellow inmate watched an inquest jury was told yesterday.

Geoffrey Southwell, aged 50, of Bishop's Road, King's Lynn, Norfolk, was serving a six months' sentence for fraud and motoring offences when the incident happened on July 22, this year.

The inquest at Winchester was told that on the morning of his death, John Harris, a fellow inmate, was cleaning the corridor when he heard strange noises coming from Mr Southwell's locked cell. As he looked in he noticed him shaking on the bed and that one of his socks was missing.

In a statement read to the court he said: "It was common for people to feign illness to get attention. I thought that was what he was doing as I watched him."

Twenty minutes later he reported the incident to Prison Officer Derek Stuart, who told the inquest: "I went to his cell and discovered him lying dead on his bed. Another officer and I tried to resuscitate him but it was too late. The sock from his right foot was missing and there were half-chewed and wet, torn-up letters bearing teeth marks lying nearby."

Dr Robin Ibbett, a Home Office pathologist, said death was caused by choking on a woolen sock.

Mr John Whitelaw, senior medical officer at Winchester Prison, said that Mr Southwell was a known sufferer of epilepsy. He said "I think he put the sock into his mouth during a trance-like fit, mistaking it for food and then inhaled it. There was no indication that he was a suicide risk."

The jury returned a verdict of misadventure.

## Man in school drowning riddle loses his job

Mr Dennis Rundle, the man at the centre of the Cathy Pelly drowning mystery, has been dismissed as caretaker of Totnes Primary School in Devon.

Mr Rundle, aged 40, appeared before a disciplinary hearing of Devon County Council on Wednesday.

He has been under suspension on full pay since the nude body of Cathy Pelly, aged 16, was found in the grounds of Dartington Hall School eight weeks ago.

The day after she was found, he went to the police to give evidence about how he had been teaching the girl kung fu on the banks of Folly Pool on the evening of her death.

Mr Rundle, of Colthpark, Totnes, was questioned by police for three days, but no charges were brought. An inquest last week recorded an open verdict on the girl.

## John Wayne film for class of 84

Students at four colleges of further education will watch feature films as part of self-study in the new term for Britain's first A-level course in the cinema.

Classics such as *Citizen Kane* and *The Searchers*, starring John Wayne, are included in the syllabus. It will also involve subjects on the workings of the film industry and the Hollywood star system.

Theoretical studies and examination of the way racial groups and women are portrayed in the cinema will also come under the spotlight in the two-year course to be held on two nights a week with places for about eighteen students.

The studies will be at Hounslow Borough College, West London, Longhate College of Further Education, Essex, South Cheshire College, Crewe, and the Swansea College of Further Education.

## Conspiracy charges after peace protest

Nine people, arrested in connexion with the peace protest camp outside the American air base at Alconbury, Cambridgeshire, are to appear before Huntingdon magistrates next week, charged with conspiracy to cause criminal damage.

They will be the first anti-nuclear protesters to face conspiracy charges for more than 20 years. They are being charged separately, and the substance of the charges has not yet been made known to their legal advisers.

The use of conspiracy charges is causing alarm within the disarmament movement and outside. Mr Larry Gostin, general secretary of the National Council of Civil Liberties, has suggested that similar charges could be made against anyone using public demonstrations to vent their grievances. He said: "The use of conspiracy charges would present a grave risk to the peace movement and other demonstrators because of their

## EEC draws up blacklist of terrorists

EEC Foreign Ministers have agreed to create an anti-terrorist blacklist to bar people with suspected terrorist links from all 10 member states.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Foreign Secretary, says in a Commons memorandum published yesterday: "I am glad to say that there is a growing determination within the Ten to work together to combat the spread of terrorism."

"We have put forward a discussion paper to our partners setting out proposals for a joint approach in a number of areas. We had a useful discussion in Brussels on 23 July and further work is now under way."

But he then added: "As an example of the kind of measure we are considering, we have agreed that anyone expelled from one of our countries on the grounds of association with terrorism should not be accepted into any other member state."

The agreement appears to go much further than the vague declaration of intent issued after the London economic summit in June.

After the Libyan People's Bureau shooting on April 17, Mrs Thatcher persuaded her summit colleagues to consider further the need for consultation and as far as possible cooperation over the expulsion from their countries of known terrorists, including persons of diplomatic status involved in terrorism.

Further work on the EEC agreement is expected to be done in Brussels next week, when officials meet again to consider British proposals. It is expected that Britain will be represented by Sir Julian Bulpitt.

Mr Leon Brittan, Home Secretary, told the Commons on April 25, in a statement on the shooting of WPC Yvonne Fletcher: "I am looking carefully at any evidence that the presence of any individual here is against the national interest, and I am not hesitating to use my power of removal where it is."

Two Libyans have been deported since the shooting.

He signed a further six detention and deportation orders against Libyan nationals

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## Low-key rallies mark fourth anniversary of Solidarity birth

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Chanting "So-li-dar-nosc", jostling, joining arms and waving carnations, Mr Lech Walesa and more than a thousand Solidarity demonstrators tumbled out of the gates of the Gdansk shipyard yesterday to mark the fourth birthday of the outlawed union.

Police stood by, sardined into personnel carriers and vans, but did not intervene in Gdansk, Warsaw or any of the other expected trouble spots.

Mr Walesa, the Nobel Peace laureate, was obviously determined to avoid any head-on clash with the authorities. After hushing the shouting supporters around the three towering concrete-and-steel crosses near the gates of the Lenin shipyard, he decided not to deliver a prepared speech on the Gdansk accord.

Instead he said simply: "We will meet again on December 16" - the anniversary of the shooting of workers on the Baltic coast in 1970.

The Gdansk agreement, signed by Mr Walesa and the Polish authorities on August 31 1981, ended a series of strikes and by extracting guarantees of better conditions for all Poles, brought Solidarity into life.

During the day, Solidarity protests were low-key. In

Warsaw leaflets were distributed along busy shopping streets calling for the release of Bogdan Lis, the underground leader excluded from last month's amnesty.

In Wroclaw and Nowa Huta there were calls for protest marches late in the evening. Most trouble was expected after church services to be held in towns and cities throughout Poland in memory of Solidarity.

Mr Walesa was due to attend an evening mass at the shipyard church of St Brigid's, accompanied by other Solidarity leaders who have travelled to Gdansk. In Nova Huta, the volatile new town near Cracow, Solidarity urged church congregations to lay flowers at a spot where a demonstrator was shot almost two years ago.

The police, though discreet in Gdansk, were deployed in large numbers in Warsaw, several columns of riot police, backed up by huge, clumsy water-cannon vehicles, were parked in side streets, awaiting nighttime developments.

At the steel works of Huta Warszawa, word was passed among workers that Solidarity sympathisers should gather at a church in the old-town area.

## British journalist missing in Lebanon

From Robert Fisk, Beirut

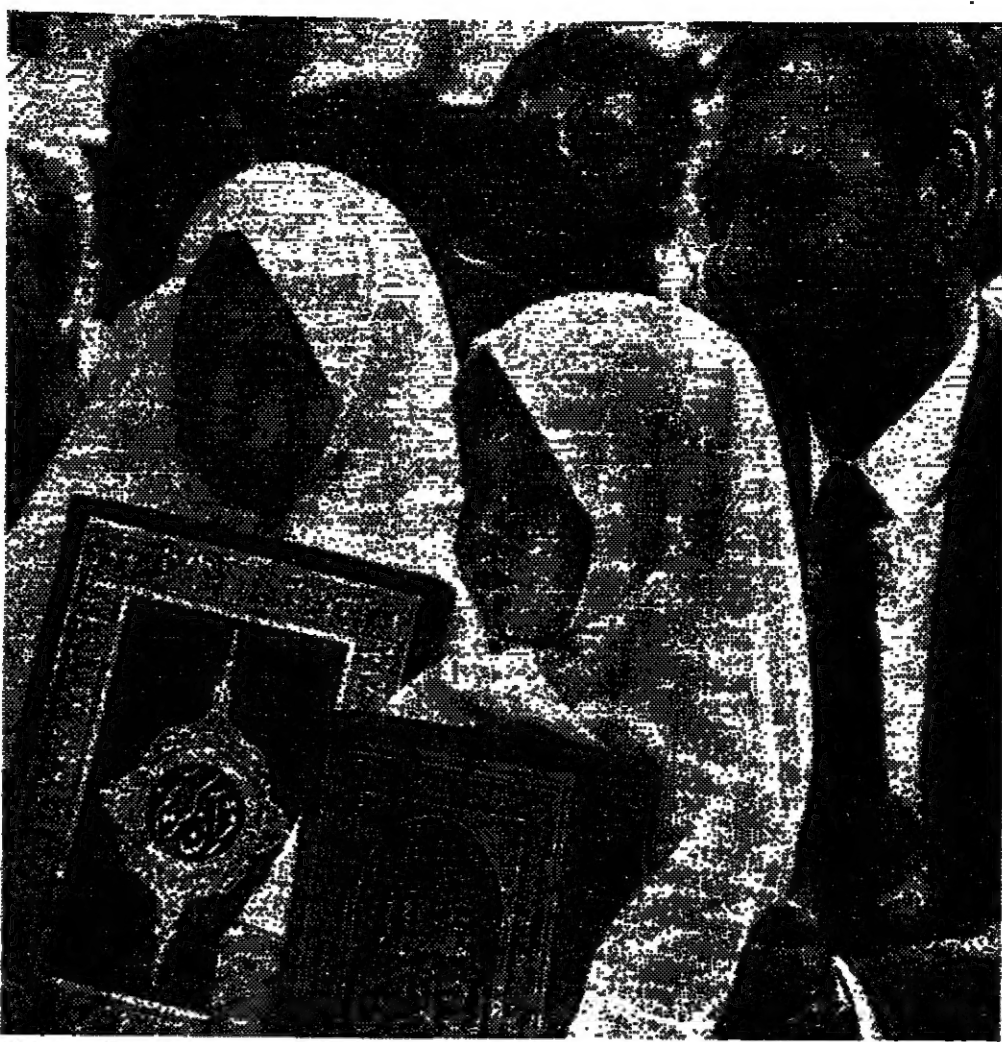
Amid the collapse of security in Beirut and the artillery duels in the mountains above the city, another journalist - a Briton, working for Reuters - has gone missing after setting off to the Bekaa valley in eastern Lebanon.

Mr Jonathan Wright, from Oxford, left Beirut early on Wednesday to visit the Palestinian guerrilla base bombed by Israeli jets the previous day, driving his own car over the mountains to the Bekaa. He has not been seen since.

According to Mr Christopher Inwood, Reuters office manager in Beirut, the news agency had made contact with Palestinian officers and Lebanese authorities in the Chitaura area, where the raids occurred. But it is still unclear whether Mr Wright disappeared in Syrian-occupied Lebanon or in the Christian-held territory west of the mountains, through which he probably passed on his way to the Bekaa.

A correspondent for the American television company, Cable News Network, who was based in Beirut, went missing in the city last March and has not been seen since. Mr Wright - unlike his CNN colleague - spoke fluent Arabic and knew the Bekaa area well.

In West Beirut, meanwhile, hundreds of Shia Muslim Gunmen paraded through the



Beirut rally: Amal leader Nabih Berri with Shia girls commemorating Imam Moussa Sadr.

streets with automatic weapons and rocket-propelled grenades in protest at the disappearance six years ago of the spiritual leader, Imam Moussa Sadr. Convoys of lorries and cars, some carrying anti-aircraft guns, drove along the sea-front Corniche, their bonnets plastered with coloured portraits of

the missing prelate, who was almost certainly murdered by Colonel Gaddafi's Libya. Of more importance in the long term were the promises made by Shia Muslim leaders in Beirut to support Lebanese guerrillas fighting Israel's occupation army in the south of Lebanon.

Mr Nabih Berri, leader of the Amal militia and Minister of Justice in the Lebanese Cabinet, said his ministry would give support to the movement resisting the Israelis and would furnish financial assistance to the families of men held at the Israeli prison camp at Ansar.

## UN fails to get ban on chemical weapons

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

The UN Disarmament Conference concluded this year's session yesterday without any appreciable progress towards its priority of agreeing a text for a new convention to ban chemical weapons.

The same applied to its efforts for achieving a comprehensive prohibition of underground nuclear tests, which are likely to continue as long as the superpowers regard deterrence as their main defence.

It became more apparent than ever during the session that reducing their nuclear arsenals is the key to disarmament negotiations in whatever forum.

High hopes were pinned on prospects for a chemical weapons treaty but to safeguard against clandestine violation, verification being particularly difficult when constituents of the weapons are manufactured for legitimate industrial use.

An American proposal for inspection of production facilities by "open invitation" was rejected by the Soviet Union, which went no further than offering on-site inspection for verifying destruction of existing stockpiles.

This was described by the US delegate, Mr Louis Fields, as offering a ray of hope.

WASHINGTON: Four men were charged here yesterday with illegally exporting 400,000 chemical warfare protective suits to Iran (Reuters reports).

## Discovery launches second satellite

From Mohsin Ali, Washington

Discovery's crew, delighted over its success on the first day, launched a second communications satellite yesterday, a Nasa spokesman said.

The satellite was apparently placed in its preliminary orbit. The crew is due to deploy the third and last satellite today.

The second satellite, the Syncom 4, will be leased to the US Defence Department for military communications, the spokesman said.

The crew members, including Judith Resnik, the second American woman in space, capped the first day of their six-day flight with a launch of the first satellite, owned by Satellite Business Systems.

Thursday's success delighted the crew and ground control because similar rockets, known as Payload Assist Modules, misfired on a mission in February, sending two satellites into useless orbits.

The satellite launched yesterday is not equipped with a module and has a different type of booster, but the satellite to be deployed today has a module and belongs to American Telephone and Telegraph Company.

The crew will test an extendable solar-power panel for future space stations and will operate an experimental medicine-making machine.

Discovery is due to land at Edwards Air Force Base in California on Wednesday.

## Libya backs links with Morocco

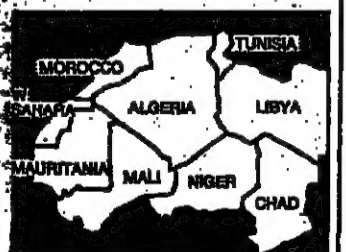
Tripoli (Reuters) - Libya's General People's Congress yesterday unanimously approved a federation agreement between Libya and Morocco signed last month.

The 1,347-member congress met in special session as Moroccans began voting in a referendum also expected to give sweeping support for the plan, signed on August 13 by King Hassan of Morocco and the Libyan leader, Colonel Gaddafi.

The congress secretariat is expected to ratify the federation agreement formally today after receiving the unanimous vote in favour of its members, who represent 186 regional and 25 local people's congresses.

The ratification will coincide with the fifteenth anniversary of the revolution which overthrew the Libyan monarchy and brought Colonel Gaddafi to power in a military coup.

Seven million Moroccans are eligible to vote and a steady flow went to the 25,000 polling stations, according to reports from Rabat.



The agreement to establish an "Arab African Federation" signed in the Moroccan border town of Oujda, is the latest step in Colonel Gaddafi's attempts to achieve his dream of Arab unity.

In 1980, Syria and Libya agreed to form a union which has never been realized because of ideological differences and geographical distance. Colonel Gaddafi has also sought unions with Egypt, now a strong critic of his policies, and Tunisia.

Although Libya and Morocco are 2,000 miles apart, diplomats described the proposed alliance as a marriage of convenience with advantages for both sides.

Morocco could expect a halt to Polisario Front guerrillas fighting for the independence of the former Spanish Sahara from Rabat.

For Libya, the union neutralizes Morocco in Chad, where Colonel Gaddafi is backing the government of President Hissene Habré.

## Hernu seeks solution in Chad

From Diana Geddes, Paris

M. Charles Hernu, the French Defence Minister, flies to Chad today to review the 3,300 French troops stationed there and to hold talks with ministers in an attempt to break the deadlock in the civil war between the Libyan-backed rebels in the north and the French-supported government forces in the south.

France feels it has become bogged down in the Chadian conflict which seems no nearer a settlement than when French troops moved in just over a year ago. France wants to get out as quickly as possible but insists that it must be an "honourable exit" - and that means seeing the Libyan forces go first, or at least simultaneously.

While it is true that the French presence, which is costing about £250,000 a day, has stemmed the Libyan incursion into the country and has brought the fighting to a virtual halt, it has been achieved only at the cost of a de facto division of the country along the so-called "red line" of the sixteenth parallel.

All attempts to get the warring factions round a table for a peace conference have failed. The talks in Brazzaville in the Congo, under the auspices of the Organization of African Unity are still blocked by the refusal of the two antagonists, Mr Goukouni Oueddei and President Hissene Habré, to accept each other's terms.

Mr Goukouni, the main rebel leader in the north and former President, refuses to meet Mr Habré.

Mr Habré, who seized power from Mr Goukouni two years ago, refuses to meet Mr Goukouni.

There have been signs recently that Libya would like to get out of Chad.

The Elysée palace was still refusing to say yesterday where President Mitterrand was or what he was doing. The President's private time was his own, the Palace insisted. M. Mitterrand has no public official engagements arranged until next Wednesday.

It is thought that M. Mitterrand may have flown back yesterday to Morocco for further talks with King Hassan on the implications of the "treaty of union" between Morocco and Libya, for the North African region in general and the Chadian conflict in particular.

## Nicaragua Indian leader considers amnesty offer

From Martha Honey, San José, Costa Rica

The Miskito Indian leader, Señor Brooklyn Rivera, says he is considering accepting the Nicaraguan Government's offer to grant him an amnesty and allow him to return home. It is the first such offer made to a leader of any of the rebel military groups.

Señor Rivera, leader of the Costa Rican-based Misurata movement, which is fighting along Nicaragua's Atlantic coast, travels to Honduras today to discuss the amnesty with Miskito Indian elders and other refugees. "In principle I am agreed to go back," he said. But the Sandinistas must first accept four preconditions, including recognition of Misurata as the legitimate representative of the indigenous people, press freedom, release of political prisoners and negotiations over control of the land and

autonomy for the Atlantic coast.

A week ago, the Sandinista junta leader, Señor Daniel Ortega, made public the offer to Señor Rivera.

A close associate of the guerrilla commander, Señor Eden Pastora, said he had also recently received an amnesty offer. "Several Sandinista representatives came and privately made the offer to me. I am thinking very carefully about going back for talks," the official, who did not wish to be named, said.

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## Black discontent casts shadow over Botha foray into racial reform

From Michael Hornsby  
Johannesburg

On Monday South Africa will replace the British-issued Act of Union of 1910 with a new constitution which strongly reinforces an already powerful executive and, for the first time, offers non-whites some direct say in government.

As it sets out on this uncharted terrain, the Government of Mr W. P. Botha can count on the overwhelming backing of the country's 4,600,000 whites, who expressed their view in a referendum last November.

But last month's elections to the new tri-racial Parliament, and the current wave of protest in black schools and universities show he has only minimal support from the 870,000 Indians, 2,700,000 mixed-blood coloureds and 23,000,000 Africans.

Lack of popular support has never deterred Pretoria in the past and neither will it now. The new Parliament may be an unrepresentative sham in many respects. But it will change the rules of the political game in ways not at all easy to predict.

For the first time government policy will be the product of at least a measure of inter-racial bargaining. It seems reasonable to suppose that the 85 Coloured and 45 Indian MPs together with the 27 anti-apartheid white MPs of the Progressive Federal

Party (PFP), will be able to exert a greater moderating influence than the PFP was ever able to do alone.

The racially segregated structure of the Parliament (see diagram), and the control which the majority party in the white chamber have over the office of the Presidency and the President's Council, means the Government will always get its way, if it wants.

In practice, however, if Pretoria cares at all about the credibility of its own institutional creation, particularly in the eyes of those Western governments which have not condemned it outright, it will have to take some account of the wishes of the Indian and Coloured chambers.

If Mr Botha is serious about reform the new structure could help him circumvent the recalcitrants in his own party and the diarchies in the opposition Conservative Party (CP), and enable him to begin dismantling the social and economic aspects of apartheid, most of which could be abandoned without

any immediate surrender of white political control.

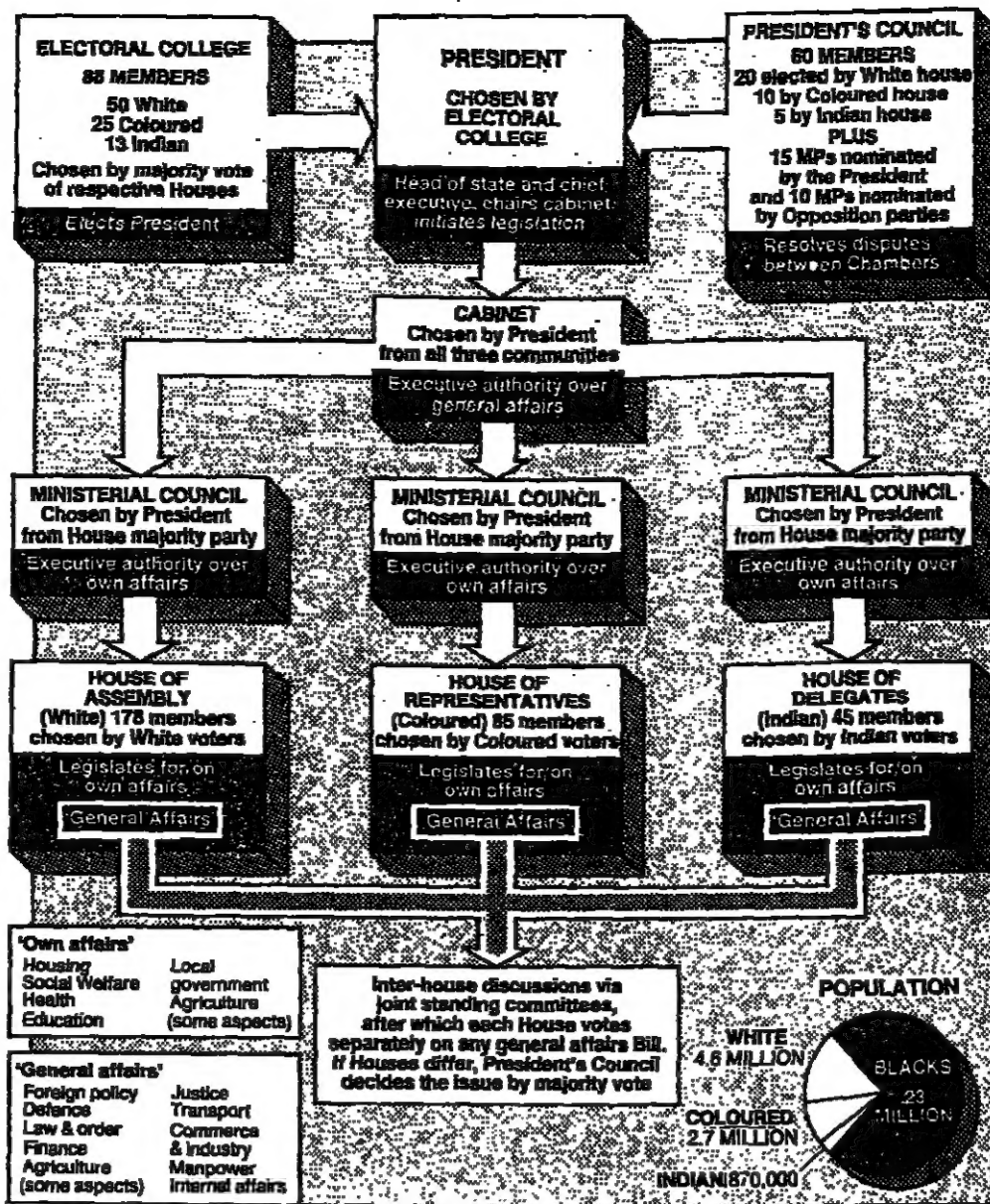
On Wednesday the new Parliament will assemble as an Electoral College and it is a foreign conclusion that it will choose Mr Botha as the new President.

Most media attention abroad has focussed on the intricacies of the Parliament. Less has been written about the very great powers of the President who will be head of state and government, will initiate legislation and, together with the President's Council, have the deciding say in the event of deadlock between the Parliament's three chambers.

This raises the intriguing possibility that Mr Botha could choose to side with Indian and coloured chambers against his own party in the white chamber. Some optimists envisage an era of enlightened despotism similar to that exercised by General De Gaulle in France during the Algerian crisis.

More Indians and Coloureds could be attracted to the new constitution over time, but it offers nothing to Africans.

It is the looming shadow of these frustrated and discontented black millions that must ensure that Mr Botha's "new dispensation" can only be a very temporary phase in South Africa's constitutional history.



## Seoul resumes its Moscow overtures on KAL anniversary

From David Watts, Tokyo

A year after KAL flight 007 was shot down into the Sea of Japan, killing 269 people, President Chun Doo Hwan of South Korea is seeking new contacts with the Soviet Union.

He is due here next week for the first official visit of a Korean head of state. Yesterday, it became clear that he will invite the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Vladimir Pavlov, to a diplomatic reception at the Akasaka Palace guest house.

Before the destruction of flight 007, South Korea had been trying to strengthen its ties with Moscow although the country - rigidly anti-communist - has no diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union. Commemoration of the KAL victims is being marked this weekend over the spot where the airliner is thought to have gone down, but *Realpolitik* has overtaken the need to continue punishment of the Soviet Union.

President Chun is also said to be inviting the Chinese Ambassador in Tokyo, Mr Song Zhuguang, for what will be an historic meeting. The Chinese and South Koreans have no diplomatic relations and there was no government-level contact between the two countries until six Chinese hijacked a Chinese airliner to military air base north of Seoul in May last year.

The six were held until earlier this month and then released to go to Taiwan.

President Chun is keen to expand his so-called northern policy by making contact with communist countries, partly through a desire to make more friends to ensure the success of the 1988 Olympic Games in Seoul, but also to try to influence North Korea to take a more conciliatory line.

North Korea maintains a position independent of both Moscow and Peking but China and the Soviet Union are virtually the only countries with any chance of bringing influence to bear on the reclusive and potentially aggressive regime of President Kim Il Sung.

There is no indication of whether either or both the Soviet and Chinese diplomats will accept President Chun's invitation, but the President's Japanese hosts hope that the diplomatic overtures will ease tensions on the Korean peninsula and boost the confidence of the Chun Government.

The Korean and Japanese Governments hope that President Chun's visit will help to overcome some of the mutual hatred and suspicion among the ordinary people of both countries. Opinion polls released yesterday in Japan suggest the task will be a long one.

Of the Koreans surveyed, 52 per cent said they thought the Japanese were sly and 28 per cent thought they were malicious; 39 per cent felt they were polite and 33 per cent saw the Japanese as diligent; 58 per cent of the Koreans surveyed in South Korea said they had never liked the Japanese.

Of the Japanese, 40 per cent said there was no appropriate word to describe the Koreans, indicating that the Korean image was vague, according to the poll takers.

**FAMILIES PRAY:** Members of the families of the victims from flight KAL 007 gathered on a rainswept hill at Cape Soya, Japan's most northern point, yesterday to offer prayers and vow to continue the investigation into the attack on the airliner (AP reports).

## Zimbabwe fears Pretoria is backing rebels again

From Jan Raath, Harare

The Zimbabwe Government is concerned that recent evidence of guerrilla activities in the Matabeleland province may indicate a resumption of South African backing for guerrillas. In an interview with *The Times*, Mr Emmerson Mnangagwa, the Minister of State for Security, said that two weeks ago security forces killed a guerrilla, one of a group of 40, with weapons and uniform of recent South African origin.

The evidence comes after a meeting in May at the highest level of contact yet between Lieutenant General P. W. van Westhuizen, Chief of Staff of the South African Defence Force, and Major General Sheba Gava, Chief of Staff of the Zimbabwe National Army.

Confirming the meeting, Mr Mnangagwa said General van der Westhuizen had travelled to Harare as a civilian for the meeting. Previous meetings had been between brigadiers of the two forces, and have taken place at Beitbridge, the town on the Limpopo River, the common border.

Sources have said the South African general assured his Zimbabwean counterpart that infiltrations of guerrillas from South Africa were being discontinued, alongside South Africa's diplomatic initiatives in Mozambique and Angola. Mr Mnangagwa commented: "One of the things he said was to ask if there had been any infiltrations since February. The answer was no."

The minister said he did not meet General van der Westhuizen, but "I knew he was around".

He also confirmed recent reports that Zimbabwe had allowed a South African military convoy to travel from the Beitbridge border through Zimbabwe to the Forbes border post just outside the eastern city of Mutare whence it continued into Mozambique. The vehicles had contained only tents, he said.

Since February, the level of guerrilla activity all over the country has fallen off considerably and the curfew in Matabeleland South has been lifted. Sources also said that the Fifth Brigade had been withdrawn for retraining operations, (information) in the South African defence forces and British military advisory team, while the Presidential Guard, a unit of roughly brigade strength, was undergoing reorganization. Both units were initially trained by North Korean instructors, and have been named as being responsible for killings and assaults on civilians.

However, Mr Mnangagwa said he was "disturbed" at the new evidence. The clash between guerrillas and security forces two weeks ago took place in the Shashi communal area on the Botswana border, and 45 miles from the junction of the borders of South Africa, Botswana and Zimbabwe.

The dead guerrilla had been wearing a new camouflage uniform and carrying a weapon with serial numbers similar to those of other captured and killed guerrillas. The Government maintains there is this distinct difference in weaponry between guerrillas infiltrating from South Africa, and those who operate from Botswana.

## Austrian novel gets the chop

From Richard Bassett  
Vienna

Thousands of copies of a novel by one of Austria's best-known authors were seized last night after an anonymous protest from someone recognizing himself as one of the book's principal characters.

*Hof/Hilfen* (Woodcuttings) by Thomas Bernhard attempts to chart the decline of the arts in Austria, comparing the country's artists to high-quality wood which is reduced to insignificant pulp by government bureaucracy and civil service conditions of employment.

The novel suggests that actors and musicians in Austria enjoy a security of tenure available in most countries only to civil servants. The results of this in the book are indifferent standards of performance and a lamentable waste of talent.

Although the names used in the book are fictitious, there are veiled references to Austrian institutions such as the once respected Vienna Burgtheater, which, as many Viennese insist even without the benefit of Herr Bernhard's book, is a mere shadow of its former self.

Regardless of the controversy surrounding the novel's theme, its seizure has fuelled fears in publishing circles that neutral Austria is prepared to adopt the censorship habits of its Warsaw Pact neighbours.

## Indian opposition unites

From Kuldip Nayar  
Delhi

Eight non-communist parties have agreed in principle to avoid a split in the opposition vote against Mrs Indira Gandhi's Congress (I) party in the forthcoming Lok Sabha elections.

The parties which include Janata, Lok Dal and Bharatiya Janata, are meeting on Wednesday to discuss preparations for a joint list of candidates. Their immediate attention is focused on Andhra Pradesh, where no date for the assembly session has been fixed and where 300 opposition volunteers were detained yesterday after offering themselves for arrest.

Opposition leaders are holding a protest meeting in Bangalore today to be attended by the dismissed Chief Minister, Mr N. T. Rama Rao.

In Punjab the Government and the Akalis are heading for a showdown. Police yesterday surrounded the temple of Shabedan in Amritsar, the venue for the world Sikh convention called by the five Sikh high priests for tomorrow. Delhi, which has banned the meeting, has sealed practically all points of entry into the city.

**CHILDREN IN JAIL:** Forty children have been held in a Punjab jail for three months since the army stormed the Golden Temple of Amritsar. The Press Trust of India said (Reuters reports).

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# Mulroney team in upbeat mood as Canada poll enters last round

From Trevor Fishlock, Toronto

Mr Brian Mulroney's aircraft roars off from Ottawa Airport for a day's campaigning in Toronto and the galloping sound of the William Tell Overture fills the cabin. It fits the upbeat mood of his people.

Mr Mulroney does not walk back to talk with reporters. He is not taking any chances since they reported embarrassing remarks he thought were off the record. In these final days of the election, with the polls looking so favourable and with Mr John Turner, the Prime Minister, on the ropes, there is no reason to risk unguarded words.

So he looks over the speech he is to make and Mila, his vivacious wife and an important member of his campaign team, goes back and chats.

Later she is by his side, smiling brightly and proudly as always, when he delivers his speech in his slow, deep voice. He is proud of its velvety timbre: it is a voice for easy listening. He has cultivated it as part of a smooth, reassuring image to get him to the top.

At 45, Mr Mulroney is on the edge of achieving the leadership of Canada, an ambition he is said to have disclosed to a friend when he was 19. His ascent has not been through the usual political ranks. He had held no elective office at all when he became Conservative leader last year. He was elected an MP, for a Nova Scotia constituency, only a year ago.

It is significant that in this election he has switched constituencies and is running in Quebec, in the riding which contains his boyhood home of Baie-Comeau.

Quebec, a key province in federal elections, is a Liberal stronghold. In the last general election Liberals won 74 of the 75 seats. Now there are signs of a Conservative breakthrough.

Mr Mulroney is committed to breaking the Liberal grip on Quebec, just as Mr Turner is trying to establish a Liberal bridgehead by standing in the Tory heartland in Vancouver.

The difference is that Mr Turner is doing badly, while Mr Mulroney looks likely to win.



Mr Mulroney: Smooth image on way to top.

Mr Mulroney likes to talk of his relatively humble small-town origins as an electrician's son. He became a Tory as a youth, almost an eccentric thing to do in rural Quebec, and, while pursuing a career as a lawyer, worked as a party organizer and fund raiser, steadily building a political network.

When he failed to win the leadership in 1976 he went into business.

He has always been smart, confident, smooth and a sharp dresser. Indeed one of his image-advisers has warned him about appearing too smooth.

He has developed a broad appeal by refusing to be drawn on detail, making appropriate right-wing noises, being strongly pro-business. He has united Conservatives who were for many years a divided minority party. As a bilingual Quebecer, he has the sort of knowledge of French Canada that many Conservatives lack.

He has stood firm on French language rights, and sold this to the Tories, going a long way to healing destructive French-English suspicions in the party.

## Calliper Bloomsbury

James MacDonald's new play *Calliper* has a compelling situation, the plight of the handicapped, as its springboard and a powerful issue, of how much physical disability can excuse, which should lift it into the realms of a *Whose Life Is It Anyway?* Sadly, it rarely gets off the ground.

The central character has the all too apt name of Edge. He chafes against everyone, the Samaritans as much as the hostile. If we are to believe him, an operation has left him with the calliper of the title, no job and a massive chip on his shoulder. Actually, he has defrauded the insurance company for which he worked, and the dismemberment now saves him from judicial retribution.

His menacing, brutish and satirical character rebuffs any possibility of our sympathy. The early scenes of part-intolerance, part-condescension, in the attitudes of others go no way to explain his outlook on the world. That he manages to go on conning his way through suggests he should have a disarming charisma. As portrayed by John Hilton he is mostly unlovely and unlikable.

On a bare stage, backed only by a multiplicity of door frames, with the actors sitting upstage in quasi-Brechtian fashion, we follow his progress from DHSS waiting room, through various sponging relationships to his final exposure by a television journalist. The only character remotely compassionate is the severely disabled and pitifully duped Alan. In this part, Stephen Tredre gives the most compelling and appealing performance of the evening.

For the most part the dialogue is desultory, the scenes follow one another with leaden regularity and the story - only towards the end does it become sufficiently organic to be deemed a plot - is a tawdry one. It is not helped by the production from past and present students of Exeter Drama Department, which suffers from some severe directorial errors, such as actors unaccountably breaking the imagined bounds to address the odd few lines to the audience. Such a serious and sensitive theme deserves better treatment.

Robert Page

## Starless, but sparkling brightly

### The Playboy of the Western World

You would naturally hope for much from a United British Artists production directed by Lindsay Anderson and bringing good reports from Oxford and Edinburgh; but I never expected the like of this.

The cast may be starless by conventional standards: Di Seymour, whose costumes and rough-walled shebeen almost speak Sygne's accents by themselves, is a rising star rather than a household name. Only Andy Phillips, who with Jeffrey Beckett has lit it so warmly and thoughtfully, is a celebrity from Royal Court days; and there is Mr Anderson himself as director. That is the key, of course.

However attentive and beguiling the cast's delivery of

Sygne's richly flavoured speech, there is an English coolness at work behind it all, pacing the comedy, keeping sentiment and grand gestures in check, and never losing sight of the waste in the circumscribed lives of these Mayo people. They speak like poets, naturally think of kings and saints in glory in every other phrase, and yet use their wit in taproom talk or efforts to snare a spouse with a little status-bringing land, a few cows or a right-of-way.

So Frank Grimes' Christy, engaging and only a bit too self-consciously so, needs little glamour to win hearts in a village with so few possibilities: only some decent looks and a parricide's mystique. Hence the mud-spattered fugitive, a "little smiling fellow" bobbing to strangers in servile fashion, is inspired to tremendous feats as a jockey and genuinely fills a hero's role. And finds himself losing it, a trick which (though Sygne does not say so) is just as

ironic in bigger market-places when men are admired, according to others' fantasies, for what they did accidentally, what they should not be admired for, or what they may never have done at all.

His Peggion Mike, Carolyn Pickles, is very young, no leading lady doing a shrew turn but a tough, tousled country beauty. She could, quite credibly, have set her sights no higher than the richly-kept weed Shawn Keogh, whom Kevin Lloyd makes convincing down to the last cringe.

Even the Widow Quin is the right age, and what aggressive sexual claims she makes in Nicholas McAuliffe's performance - regally sailing in bewhiskered like the Carmen of County Mayo before marshalling her loyal cohorts with a smiling imperiousness that would have made even Miss Jean Brodie quail.

Gray's *Elegy* imagines a village with its unused Milton

and Cromwell; and look at the raw material they have to work in here. There is Ronie Walsh as Peggion's ruddy and mountainous father, returning legless from a wake, and his cronies Denis Carey, a dour wisecracker in a melancholy hat, and Derry Power, a little crab-apple of a porter-soaked wit colliding with the door-frame in his haste to see Christy pass the winning post. And after the day of glory, they (and Peggion with Shawn) settle down, as Henry James said, "for life, as it were".

Above this sombre truth the dialogue dances as sprightly as it should, and such farcical episodes as the supposedly murdered da's double return from the dead with anger undiminished fill the theatre with laughter. It is Sygne's *Playboy*, pretty well complete; and not to be missed on any excuse at all.

Anthony Masters

## Gallery

### Folk Art of Romania Horniman Museum

It is not always easy to see fol art with an unjaundiced eye with the emphasis on the "art" rather than the "folk", which always tends to have improv ethnographic overtones. Not, of course, that many people necessarily mind seeing it in more or less scientific light, and it is an important part of the Horniman Museum's job to cater to precisely such interests. But it is always pleasing to record an exhibition which cat happily be taken both ways. Such a one is that devoted, until January 13, to the *Folk Art of Romania*.

It arises, in fact, from a long and happy connexion between the museum and the country. Back in 1937 there was a previous exhibition of Romanian Folk Art, and all the pieces shown were generously donated to the museum, giving it a remarkable collection of costumes, machines and artifacts. Many of these have been in the reserve collection accessible to students if not on show. But now a lot of splendid examples have been got out, spanning fresh, combined with many other loans from the Village and Folk Art Museum, Bucharest. If anything there has been an embarrassment of riches.

The costumes and examples of weaving, embroidery and textile design are among the most irresistibly colourful works present, and, seen by the right people, the intricately, elegantly frogged jackets for men and dresses for women could start a new craze. There are also some admirable simple pots - particularly fetching is a group of dark grey earthenware with designs rubbed rather than scratched into the matt surface - and some really beautiful examples of peasant woodcarving which indicate very clearly where Brancusi began as a sculptor.

An extra dimension is given to the show by the selection of historic photographs of peasant life, showing the clothes actually worn, the utensils actually used, for all the beauty of the things considered in a vacuum, there is undoubtedly an added strength in the feeling that this is a living culture which many Romanian artists today are still in touch with. Nothing here, anywhere, is merely quaint.

John Russell Tay'or

## Decision on Honecker visit near

From Our Correspondent Bonn

Chancellor Kohl said yesterday that he expected a final decision from Herr Erich Honecker, the East German leader, on his visit to West Germany, in the next few days.

Talks between the two Germanies about the visit were well advanced, but Herr Honecker's decision was still awaited.

Asked if the apparent indecision was due to reports that President Chernenko was ill, Dr Kohl said: "I do not know exactly what is going on in the Kremlin. I do not know anyone who does know."

Herr Kohl said Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, would have talks with Mr Andrei Gromyko, his Soviet counterpart, in New York on September 25 during a meeting of the United Nations General Assembly.

## Greece tells US to mend ways

From Mario Mediano Athens

Greece has warned the United States that it could make life difficult for the Americans at their military bases unless they mend their ways towards their Greek employees.

About 200 workers staged a protest march to the US Embassy on Thursday night, after lay-offs at Hellenikon air base, near Athens International airport.

Earlier, Mr Yiannis Kapsis, the Foreign Under-Secretary, had lodged a strong protest to the American charge d'affaires, Mr Alan Berlind, and requested that the dismissals be rescinded.

An official Greek press release later said the minister had drawn Mr Berlind's attention to "all the possible consequences in case the present situation were allowed to continue".

## 23 Filipino soldiers face murder court martial

From Keith Dalton, Manila

Two officers and 21 soldiers are to be court-martialled in connexion with the election day murder last May of nine farmers who witnesses say were arrested, tortured and later killed by constabulary soldiers in the central Philippines town of Langoni.

Lieutenant-General Fidel Ramos, chief of the Philippines constabulary, said yesterday there would be no cover-up. A preliminary investigation began early last month after a public outcry against the killings, which Bishop Antonio Fortich of Negros island condemned as a massacre.

Langoni residents said soldiers took 11 men from a bus and made them march half-naked to a military camp where a volley of shots was later heard. The next day soldiers turned over to

relatives the bodies of nine men, all in their early 20s, claiming that they had been killed in a counter-insurgency operation.

Two of those arrested had escaped. Several weeks after the killings all 11 had been charged with an earlier massacre.

● **FREEDOM DAY:** A Filipino journalist, Mr Satur Ocampo, aged 45, who has been imprisoned in an army camp since 1976, won a day's freedom yesterday to join newspaper colleagues in the first celebration of Philippine Press Freedom Day (AP report).

Mr Ocampo, formerly business editor of the *Manila Times*, which was closed under martial law in 1972, is charged with rebellion and subversion as an alleged officer of the outlawed Communist Party.

## Hijacked Iranians see the sights of Baghdad

Manama (AFP) - No solution was in sight yesterday for the 206 people on board the Air Iran aircraft hijacked on Tuesday to Iraq, where the two hijackers have asked for asylum.

The Airbus was still on Baghdad airport runway, while the 195 passengers and 11 crew were taken sightseeing.

Iraqi authorities have said the 206 are all Iranians and are being treated as guests of Iraq, although the two countries have been at war for nearly four years.

On Thursday, the passengers were taken to see Shia holy villages.

Immediately after the hijack, Tehran called on the UN to ensure a swift return of the passengers and the jet. Yesterday the UN had not been in touch with Baghdad.

● **TEHRAN:** President Ali Khamenei of Iran yesterday gave Kuwait an implicit warning over what his country sees as collusion in the hijack (Reuters report).

"We are considering seriously the actions which we suspect have been done by some neighbouring states in the hijacking and we are investigating," he told a prayer meeting.

Business as usual: no fewer than five "new series" last night on ITV, two of them dramas from London Weekend.

Me and My girl means Richard O'Sullivan and Joanne Ridley, he full of wry and roguish self-deprecation, she both innocent and knowing, and with a provocative squint. He carefully fails to conceal the fact that he has another girl (a hot property from Monte Carlo); she has no eyes for anyone else. When they sit facing each other on her bed the marital vibes are intense. He is a widower of 40; she is his 13-year-old daughter.

Richard O'Sullivan works in an agency called Eyecatchers with Tim Brooke-Taylor; his mother-in-law holds the money bags and cracks most of the jokes, which have the studio

audience in convulsions. She is a practised hand with the vocabulary, snappy aside, but Tim, Richard and Joanne are coming along fine. There is a Glaswegian air pair (Leni Harper) who over-acts heroically. There is a radiator in the office which ticks chirpily away until silenced by a gentle kick from its owner; it is not inappropriate fact, some viewers might feel, for the programme itself.

Due to a little local misunderstanding I was initially shown one of the later stories in *Mitch* ("John Thaw in..."). It seemed a competently produced little tale (British businessman asphyxiated in mysterious circumstances abroad) though it did not seem to have an ending.

Embarking on last night's story, *Something Private*, I

## Television

found myself jotting down a much more favourable verdict (crisp dialogue, sharp cutting, smooth direction) until - blow me down if this one did not have an ending either (boy of ten asphyxiated in mysterious circumstances in the Cotswolds). There was a conclusion of sorts: the prime suspect hanged himself in his prison cell.

The very least one expects of a 52-minute mystery story, especially when it is tricked out with elaborately conflicting clues, is a mild surprise at its resolution. Never mind, John Thaw was well on form as a crime hack who believes in his job and the supporting cast were as convincingly real as the slush on their village street.

Michael Church

## Radio Travelling eccentrics

I enjoy radio's eccentric travellers - Ray Gosling, plangently astonished at the pervasities around him; Tom Vernon pedalling along Roman roads or up the Massif Central, finding different sorts of curiosities, or at least a different, more expensive way of looking at them. So I wish there were a bit more eccentricity in prospect in *Down the Severn* (Radio 4, producer, Anthony Smith) which is currently starting in on Sundays and Mondays for the "resting" *Down Your Way*, but presenter Tom Salmon sounds as if he is going to play it straight all the way from source to estuary.

Happily last Sunday brought a new and rather endearingly low-key recruit to the ranks of the travelling eccentrics, although I suspect that Richard Pater of Mr Wesley's *Calderdale* (Radio 4, producer, Roger Hutchings) may not be intending to pursue his career amongst them. He is already set up in *Kendal* as an insurance statistician and Methodist preacher, and it was as an extension of the latter that he mounted his horse, Hercules, last May to retrace some of John Wesley's preaching journeys in the Calder Valley of West Yorkshire.

Like Wesley, he too went to preach the word, but this was an enterprise in which the only thing to arouse the people he visited was the spectacle of a solid, friendly man in the costume and hair style of the 1730s-riding a solid, friendly horse. 'Gone are the conditions in which what Wesley said will ever again provoke hostility, much less a well-aimed clod of earth.

And with all respects to Mr Pater's sincerity and inventiveness, there was little evidence of that power to move his

audience profoundly which Wesley is said to have possessed.

"I didn't want to let him down," said Mr Pater, which was a heart-warming thing to say, but it added to the impression given by an intimate, revealing biographical production that this event was primarily a curiosity, a peripatetic museum from which, as is the tendency, the original spirit of the exhibit had departed. As if to echo this, Mr Pater went on to muse on the failure of the contemporary Methodist message to strike home.

Was there a hint perhaps of this same hollowiness perceptible to those who originally took part in *The Prince of Pleasures at Kendalworth* (Radio 4, August 26 director, Margaret Windham) which Robert Dudley, Earl of Leicester, presented at grotesque expense to Queen Elizabeth I in July 1575?

Certainly by half way through the proceedings the Queen had been heard to express a very firm preference for fewer re-enactments of antiquity in the form of plays and masques and for more time in the Earl's exquisite private garden.

Derek Wilson's recreation of those 18 days of a sixteenth century summer evoked at once the splendour and the emptiness of the occasion and made us aware of its significance both to the principal guest and her host. A gambit in Dudley's courtship of the Queen?

No, more likely a plea for his release from a suit which both parties knew to be hopeless and permission to pursue the most necessary objective of securing his own succession. All this was conveyed in the words of onlookers - courtiers, ladies-in-waiting, stewards, servants and it was rather successfully done:

## BBCPO/Downes

Albert Hall/Radio 3

The devil does not have all the best tunes; many of them belong to his accomplice, Death. And Thursday night's Prom was full of them. Irina Arkhipova was there - to chant Mussorgsky's *Songs and Dances of Death* in the Shostakovich orchestration and then there was *Francesca da Rimini*, Tchaikovsky's love song heard powerfully here out of the furnace of hellfire. Even the new piece, Brian Elias's *L'Eylah*, was all about shuffling off the mortal coil and couched in terms hardly less stark and savage than those of the Russians.

Nothing in Elias's previous output nor anything in his

## Promenade Concert

programme note quite prepared me for this. The note revealed that the title - meaning "to transcend" - comes from the Kaddish which Elias finds less a prayer for the dead than a promise from the living. In the same way he would see his own work as "an affirmation of things that endure, a sanctification of life."

I have to say I did not hear it that way. Certainly the main body of the music has a frantic rhythmic energy, but it seemed more raging than celebratory. There are incisive figures that tear up through the orchestra, tearsome repetitions of strident chords stamped out by brass or high woodwind, moments when the whole orchestra crashes like a giant bell.

The nearest parallel for all this strenuously directed noise and fury are in Varese, whose

music was particularly called to mind by the repetitive motive and by the blistering prominence of E Flat clarinet and trumpet at the top of their range and beyond.

However there is much that belonged to Elias alone, like the liberal decoration that is in so unstable a balance with the hectic drive or the placing of slower sections not as periods of rest but rather as passages of tight screwed tension before renewed attack. That effect is produced because the slow music so plainly echoes the fast.

It is encouraging to find a composer unafraid of big gestures and occasional crudity; Elias was well rewarded by a performance of enormous bite from the BBC Philharmonic under Edward Downes.

Paul Griffiths

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## SPORTING DIARY

Rex Bellamy

### Running Rush

New York's BBC, dear old Auntie, has flown commentators to New York for the longest televised reportage they have ever granted to the US tennis championships. Dan Maskell, dear old Uncle, leads a team completed by three possible successors: John Barrett (the favourite), Gerald Williams and Mark Cox.

Nobody talks about Maskell's argument. By common consent the subject is banned - or was, until this slum broke through the mists of discretion. He can probably go on as long as he wants to, unless silenced by a terminal laryngitis. Maskell is 76 and has been the voice of Wimbledon since 1951, but still bubbles with enthusiasm and has an insatiable appetite for work.

Barrett and Cox, ex-players, are tennis experts. Williams, the newsman and interviewer, All are too polite to be anything but embarrassed by talk of a deMasell Wimbledon. Meantime Tony Adamson, with his engagingly conversational manner, has taken over the radio job vacated by Williams.

Back home, you will have a better view of the tennis than the BBC can or the rest of us on the spot. To secure the spot, allocated to reporters is a lift ride (or 139 steps) and more than 80ft above the main court. Refreshments available at the summit include beer brewed in Tokyo.

The Times has conducted an international referendum on press facilities at the major championships. The French won easily, with Wimbledon and the US level in second place. Flushing Meadow

### Reporters scurry around Manhattan for phones

came third in the communications category, possibly because of this year's telephoning arrangements. Free enterprise has run riot. The company which formerly provided private lines and telephones has been shattered into a chaos of separate concerns.

Now the lines come from one source, the telephones from a variety of others. Reporters have been scurrying about Manhattan to buy or rent telephones which they connect to the lines for the day's work. Then the telephones are packed away for safekeeping. In New York only the rich or the foolish leave saleable items lying around.

Most of the European tennis set, players and camp-followers alike, come here to pay the bills for all the nice things that happen to them elsewhere. Manhattan is a hard place. There are, mind you, psychological cushions to fall on: notably the New Yorkers themselves, the jazz clubs and the culinary diversity of the restaurants.

In comfortable terms (and much else) Flushing Meadow is a microcosm of the Big Apple. Take a few samples from the "food village" at the tournament: an egg plant and mozzarella sandwich is on offer at £1.50; chicken or beef tacos with lettuce, jack cheese (Jack who?), sour cream and salsa at £3.05 and a bagel "smothered" with cream cheese and topped with smoked salmon and sliced onion at £6.10.

The other day I caught two once-prominent players refuelling. Tom Okker ("This place is a zoo") was standing in line at a stall offering seven varieties of "hand-dipped" ice cream. Hand-dipped? And that sophisticated Frenchman, Pierre Darmon, was heavily disguised behind a half-pound charcoal-broiled hamburger with lettuce and tomato, selling at £3.80. "They are expensive," Darmon said, briefly disengaging his teeth. "But really good."

Today's players cannot risk the belching waistlines prevalent among spectators. The Women's Tennis Association has produced a 1983 calendar tastefully embellished by photographs of 15 svelte lovelies (all well-known players) in everything from evening gowns to bathing suits. At one time, women's tennis did not have an overtly feminine image. That has changed.

The calendar's cover-girl is Chris Evert, who has been around for a while, knows how to pose and waggishly insists on addressing your correspondent as "Sexy Rexy". But the rest of the chorus line are mostly youngsters, and every one of them enjoys being a dame. At £7.75 the calendar is a hot number on the souvenir stalls. Dan Maskell ("Oh, I say!") has never seen the like of it.

BARRY FANTONI



"Gerald believes it's an important surrealist statement."

## Peter Lennon on the discovery of a composition by Richard Strauss, unpublished and unperformed, believed lost for nearly 50 years



Maria Jeritza as Ariadne, Richard Strauss, and the music written as a tribute to their friendship

# Strauss's fifth last song

A casual conversation at dinner between the young British composer Richard Blackford and the head of the manuscript department of Sotheby's, New York, has led to the discovery of Richard Strauss's last composition: a song unpublished, never performed, and unseen by the Strauss family for nearly 50 years. It was presumed lost.

The song, "Malven", was composed by Strauss at the age of 84, 11 months before his death in 1949, and was sent as a gift to the Czech soprano Maria Jeritza, who created the part of Ariadne in *Ariadne auf Naxos* in 1912, and was a celebrated Salome early in the century.

This major musical discovery will go on sale at Sotheby's in New York in December.

Blackford, had done research in Strauss's Garmisch villa in Bavaria for the BBC documentary *Richard Strauss Remembered*, shown last January. He was telling David Redden of Sotheby's about his conversations with Strauss's daughter-in-law and long-time secretary, Alice Strauss. She told of a song her father-in-law had completed on November 23, 1948, during a stay in Montreux, Switzerland. The original had been sent to the soprano Maria Jeritza in New York, who had never complied with Strauss's request to send back a photograph.

The only trace of this song, based on a nature poem by an obscure Swiss poet, Betty Knobel, was an unfinished sketch listed in the Strauss catalogue as "Fragment 304".

The effect of this anecdote on Redden was electrifying. By coincidence, Sotheby's had just been given instructions to auction the estate of Jeritza, who died in New York last December, aged 96 and leaving no heirs. A hasty examination of her papers led to the discovery of "Malven", a song for soprano and piano accompaniment.

"Superb for the voice," Blackford says. "Typical of the late period of Strauss writing. Sensuous, with that autumnal feel. But it is in a sprightly 2/4 Allegretto in E-flat major. It definitely does not belong to the set known as *Four Last Songs*, the fifth of which was never completed."

But the song has still not been

performed. Sotheby's allowed Blackford only 10 minutes sight of the manuscript.

However, there is another dimension to this discovery to which Strauss's correspondence with Jeritza, also found among the soprano's effects, bears poignant witness. The song was composed in a room in the Palace Hotel, Montreux, where Strauss, his assets and royalties frozen by a denazification board, was living in, for him, straitened circumstances. In fact he was a multi-millionaire. The palatial Garmisch villa contained priceless paintings and musical manuscripts. But for ready cash Strauss was driven to copying his manuscripts of *Rosenkavalier* waltzes, *Don Juan* and *Till Eulenspiegel* and sending them to Jeritza to sell for him in New York.

Although it has never been supposed that there was a sexual relationship between the composer, a faithful family man, and his favourite soprano, 23 his junior, this correspondence at times strikes an uncharacteristically tender note.

"Ardently loved and greatly admired Maria," the composer wrote, "I lay my fate in your beautiful hands and know you will do your utmost to help restore to me the property and income that has been impounded for the last ten (sic) years."

In fact it was only at the end of the war that his assets were impounded, by the Americans. The song was a gift to Jeritza in gratitude for her efforts on his behalf.

Strauss's cooperation with the Nazis is still today a much debated issue. While there was never any question of his helping them politically, when most of the great creative talent fled Hitler's Germany, he stayed on and accepted, "passively, without being consulted" - his biographer, Norman Del Mar, tells us - the post of president of the Reichsmusikkammer.

When, in 1933, Bruno Walter refused to conduct a concert, Strauss stepped in, and he wrote the Olympic Hymn for the 1936 Berlin Games.

But when, in 1934, the name of his Jewish librettist, Stefan Zweig,

was removed from *Die schweigende Frau*, Strauss publicly protested. After the second performance the opera was banned simply because of Zweig's involvement. A short time later two high-ranking Nazis went to Strauss's home and demanded that he resign as president of the Reichsmusikkammer.

It was at this point that Strauss wrote a notorious letter to Hitler (quoted by Del Mar). Addressed to "Mein Führer", it read: "My whole life belongs to German music and to an indefatigable effort to elevate German culture. Therefore I believe that I will find understanding from you, the great architect of German social life, particularly when, with deep emotion and with deep respect, I assure you that even after my dismissal as president of the Reichsmusikkammer I will devote the few years still granted to me only to the purest and most ideal goals."

However Del Mar frequently refers to Strauss's low opinion of the Nazis, and both his and his wife Pauline's lack of tact in dealing with them. Indeed, Nazi disapproval caused him to leave Garmisch, where he had lived since 1908, and move to Vienna, where he spent the war years sheltered by the Gauleiter Baldur von Schirach, Nazi controller of Vienna.

Dr Ernst Roth is quoted in Del Mar's definitive biography as passing this judgment: "Strauss's complete detachment from all political and national affairs was truly monumental. Opinion never went so far as actually to attribute to him sympathies with the Nazi movement, but a culpable opportunism was found in his behaviour."

But Strauss had a very real reason for accepting von Schirach's protection. His daughter-in-law, Alice, is Jewish, and astonishingly she lived with him throughout the war years, working as his secretary. It was partly to protect her and his half-Jewish grandchildren, Richard and Christian, that he accepted such hospitality.

Already reviled in the 1930s by Thomas Mann (who had fled to Switzerland) for remaining in Hitler's Germany, at the end of the war Strauss had some explaining to do.

The correspondence uncovered in New York reveals that Strauss blamed most of the public opprobrium heaped on him in the immediate post-war years to Mann's son, Klaus.

Towards the end of the war, Klaus Mann, using the name "Mr Brown" and posing as a reporter for *The Stars and Stripes*, visited Strauss at Garmisch. In a letter to Jeritza on September 30, 1948, on behalf of his father, Franz Strauss wrote: "The name of Richard Strauss is not very popular just now, and the reasons are different interpretations of facts, especially the polemic of Klaus Mann who in August 1944 without declaring his name smuggled himself as a reporter here into the house. Papa gave him truthful information, all in good faith, which he then malevolently distorted."

Franz reported that the press was "very positive in London" (Sir Thomas Beecham had persuaded Strauss to conduct a highly successful concert in London two years previously). "However," he says, "in the US they are against him." The actor Lionel Barrymore had invited Strauss to visit the US, but because of this public hostility and his failing health Strauss decided against it.

Later, Strauss was cleared by the denazification board and his assets were unblocked. But in 1948, a time of uncertainty, distress and ill health, he composed "Malven" - in gratitude to a faithful ally.

"Before I go off on my recuperation trip to the clinic," he wrote to Jeritza, "I have prepared the enclosed little song for you." He dedicated it: "To Beloved Maria, this last rose."

Now, 36 years later, both dead, a yet unchosen soprano will soon have the honour of singing Strauss's truly last composition:

"Aus Rosen, Pfaffen Zierlein  
ragen im Garten Malven empor,  
Duftlos und ohne des Purpurs Glut,  
wie ein verwelkter blauer Gesicht."  
(Among roses, stocks and cinna-  
in the garden, mallow are towering  
up  
scapular and without the glow of the  
purple  
like a tear-stained pale face.)

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## Richard Owen returns to the scene of a fateful postwar meeting

# Yalta: still waiting for the thaw

Yalta, Soviet Crimea  
Ronald Reagan's little joke about bombing the Russians is still reverberating in Yalta, as elsewhere in the Soviet Union. But his remarks about the 1945 Yalta conference and not accepting the "permanent subjugation of Eastern Europe" also arouse powerful echoes, especially at a time when Moscow is at loggerheads with two of its East European allies, Romania and East Germany.

"You see," said one Yalta resident, standing on the path outside the Livadia Palace where the 1945 conference took place, "it just goes to show what Reagan is after - he wants to destroy the Soviet system and bring down the entire socialist community as well."

The white palace at Livadia, just along the coast from Yalta on the Black Sea, is certainly a good place to reflect on the course of history since the conference there. In the space of one week, the "Big Three" sealed the fate of post-war Europe as the end of the Nazi Reich approached and Soviet troops reached the gates of Berlin.

An oil painting inside the palace captures the scene: Stalin in his marshal's uniform, cigarette in hand; Churchill, opposite, grasping the arm of his chair to glare round, bulky and bulldogged; and Roosevelt in the middle, emaciated and bespectacled, not far from death. At their elbows Molotov, Eden, Stettinius - and standing up, a piece of paper in his hand, the tall and youthful figure of Andrei Gromyko.

More than 1,000 attended the conference, if you include aides, journalists and observers. But the shape of the post-war world was decided by three men, in the long, airy conference room (formerly used for balls) and in the courtyard outside. Stalin agreed to help in the war against Japan, and to join in establishing the United Nations. But the heart of the matter was Eastern Europe, and especially Poland.

The boundaries were drawn at the Curzon Line in the East and the Oder-Neisse Line in the West. A "declaration on liberated Europe" (the three scrawled signatures can be seen at Livadia) affirmed the need



Postwar accord: Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin at Yalta

for "democratic institutions" in the territories formerly under Nazi occupation, and Stalin agreed to "free elections" in Poland.

Forty years on, with Solidarity still a fresh and worrying memory for the Russians in Poland, and with Erich Honecker, the East German leader, about to make a trip to West Germany against Soviet wishes, Yalta is again headline news rather than the stuff of faded documents. President Reagan stirred controversy this month by saying at a White House lunch commemorating the fortieth anniversary of the Warsaw uprising that the United States "rejects any interpretation of the Yalta agreement which suggests American consent for the division of Europe into spheres of influence." There was no reason to "absolve" the Soviet Union from its commitment at Yalta to independence and democracy in Eastern Europe.

This approach, subsequently echoed by George Shultz, the Secretary of State, has been seen by some as a vindication of President

Roosevelt, who in the years following Yalta was accused of having brought Russia into the Far East and "sold out" Eastern Europe to Stalin. The Reagan interpretation, by contrast, would seem to be that Roosevelt and Churchill rightly bound Stalin to the idea of free elections, but that Soviet duplicity and the presence of the Red Army in Eastern Europe led to the betrayal of Yalta and the division of Europe into spheres of influence, with the resulting borders sanctified at the Helsinki conference of 1973.

The corollary of that is that as the captive populations of Eastern Europe grow restive, the question of Yalta is still open.

Few Russians, most of whom regard the communist monopoly of power, the Warsaw Pact and Comecon as eternal and immutable, would take this seriously for a moment. The Soviet press none the less constantly harps on the alleged desire of both Bonn and Washington to "alter the agreed post-war frontiers" (known in the case of

West Germany as revanchism) and undermine communism in the Eastern bloc.

The Kremlin view, reiterated by Soviet historians and commentators, is that the current revival of the 1930s policy of "rolling back communism" began with a speech in Vienna last September by US Vice-President George Bush after his visits to Hungary and Romania.

Bush, one *Izvestia* columnist said, had questioned post-war "realities" and was obviously nostalgic for Eastern Europe's pre-war "bourgeois regimes". He and Reagan obviously regretted that, for example, Soviet rather than American troops had entered Prague in 1945.

At Livadia, where the 1945 conference room is being carefully redecorated to measure up to the splendour of the Tsar's study and billiard room next door, official guides underline this by claiming - without batting an eyelid - that the Soviet Union has scrupulously observed the Yalta undertaking to allow each formerly occupied nation to choose the form of government it preferred.

The guides also express regret that President Roosevelt's hope, spoken in the billiard room at the end of the conference, that allied wartime unity would continue in peacetime has been disappointed.

Down the corridor a photographic exhibition drives home the Moscow line that it was Soviet force of arms that largely dictated events, with pictures of Russian troops entering Berlin, Bucharest, Belgrade, Prague and Warsaw. For Russian visitors, the photographs are a reminder that the Soviet Union made untold sacrifices to rid Europe of Nazism, and that the peoples of Eastern Europe have cause to be grateful to Russia for liberating them, and bringing them proletarian, socialist regimes rather than the "restoration of the old order" that Churchill wanted.

It is this profoundly ingrained view which still dominates the outlook of Mr Gromyko, now 75, - a sloppily dressed railway guard, a shop assistant who can't add up, a public clock yet to catch up with British Summer Time - and we

Alfred Sherman

## Why we asked the unasked questions

In the moment of my departure, I would like to attempt to explain the rationale of the Centre for Policy Studies. From the outset, I conceived it as an outsider. Although the centre is frequently referred to as a Tory think-tank, we assigned ourselves a more active role, to undertake the reshaping of the climate of opinion nationally, in order to widen the range of options open to a Conservative government which dared take them. In its turn, we estimated that this climate would evoke a bolder response from the party.

My thesis was that no Conservative government or opposition, however courageous and adventurous, could afford to take the lead in mooting new policies rooted in critical appraisal of the post-war settlement. The moment the critique, which must of necessity precede the enunciation of policy, is presented, it provokes a chorus of anathema from "thought guardians" in political life and media for whom early post-war thinking remains the final revelation. The British are a so-called progressive in thrall to yesterday's last word.

Young shoots of new thinking are not strong enough to stand the hot blast of denunciation. Temporalists run for cover on the grounds that "public is not yet ready for such radical thinking". Yet - I argued - unless the new ideas are fed in somehow or other, the public never will be ready, and the post-war settlement will go rolling on by its own momentum until it crushes us all. This dilemma was not invented by the temporalists: their fault lay in reconciling themselves to the constraint rather than rising to it as a challenge.

To resolve the dilemma, I argued for some privatization of Conservative politics, with fringe organizations, "outsiders", who would not commit the leadership, as they breasted the waves of denunciation by the guardians. Insofar as we won preliminary skirmishes of ideas, the leadership could move on to the new ground.

Some of the drama of the change of Conservative leadership rubbed off on us. In politics, appearances are part of reality. Our standing with Margaret Thatcher helped attract supporters and participants. We became the venue for exchanges of ideas between Conservative politicians, intellectuals, journalists, businessmen, and a few trade unionists. Not all of us were of the right, however defined. Not all were Conservative party members, or voters. A few were members or associates of the Labour or Liberal parties.

My participation in speech-writing counted for more than this craft does as a rule, because of Mrs Thatcher's particular *modus operandi*. As a result of the circumstances

in which she had won the leadership, the consolidation of her power over the party *part passu* with a change in direction was bound to be a lengthy process. She therefore tended during the early years of her leadership to moot policy through public speeches and interviews more than political leaders generally would do.

Electoral victory in 1979 brought about a new phase in our life-cycle. On the one hand, we were in a position to feed in second opinions, while remaining free to act as a clearing house for ideas and participate in the public debate. On the other hand, we found ourselves engaged, willy nilly, in an unequal relationship with the departmental civil servants. They are able to criticize, in private sessions with ministers, the views of the outsider, who cannot as of right ask to be apprised of their arguments and data, which enjoy the shield of confidentiality, in order to respond to them.

An organization which has access to party and government leadership and yet earns its bread by thinking the unthinkable and questioning the unquestioned must live on narrow margins. Without its connections, it would be only one more voice on the fringes of political life. Let it be too closely identified with the leadership, or the leadership with the privateer, and pressures will grow to curb his incursions. Yet let its intellectual integrity be compromised by a hairsbreadth, and its wider public acceptability would evaporate overnight.

Over the 10 years, it seems to me that our successes well outweighed the frustrations inherent in our chosen role.

I shall leave the assessment to others. I can never be sure how far I helped make the waves or let floated on a turning tide created by deeper forces which shape the life of nations. But whether or not we made the tide, we rode high on it.

If people felt compelled to present me as an amalgam of Peter Joseph, Svengali and the Elders of Zion, they are at liberty to do so, and those who know me will think them fools. But this carping takes them no further towards explaining why a handful of people whom they disparage could make a wholly disproportionate impact on the political scene, for better or worse.

Our work in the realm of political and economic ideas may have counted less than our part in generating in the Conservative Party a sense of intellectual excitement which had hitherto been largely a monopoly of the left. No one calls the Conservatives the stupid party any longer at worst, they accuse it of indulging in ideology.

Sir Alfred Sherman worked for the Centre for Policy Studies from its foundation in 1974 until yesterday.

Keith Waterhouse

## Thoughts of the great unwritten

The generality of readers being reluctant to accept that the essence of fiction is that it is made up, novelists are constantly being asked on whom this or that character is based.

In my own case, because most of my novels are effectively in the first person, even when written in the third, in that everything is seen through the eyes of the hero, I'm more usually asked if my characters are based upon myself. Little does it cut when I protest that if they were, I should be locked up in Broadmoor by now.

I have to admit, however, that there is one facet of Edgar Samuel Bapty, the irascible hero of my new novel *Thinks*, that has been lifted straight from the private life of his creator. Bapty writes letters to *The Times* in his head. So do I. So, I shouldn't be in the least surprised to hear, do you?

Only a fraction of letters to *The Times* gets printed: that's common knowledge. What is probably not so generally realized is that only a fraction of that fraction ever gets written.

You see otherwise normal and respectable persons sitting in railway carriages with their lips moving convulsively. They are writing letters to *The Times*. Soberly dressed pedestrians are to be observed bobbing their heads and twitching their arms like marionettes, only one removed from those unfortunates who stand in the middle of the road directing traffic. Do not be alarmed. They are only writing to *The Times*.

It is not that they do not happen to have writing materials to hand. Even as you read these words, there are thousands scanning the page will be reaching mentally for their pens to draft a scathing reply to this or that letter. They could just as well reach physically for their pens and pop it in the post on the way to the office, but that is not their way: the embossed notepaper of the Old Rectory, in their case, will remain forever virgin of that declamatory "Sir". They belong to the silent army of cerebral correspondents to *The Times*.

The letter that never is comes, from my observation, in two forms. The first encapsulates the "I've a damn good mind to write to *The Times* about it" *Punch* cartoon colonel who lurks inside us all, trying to get out. Something vexes us - a sloppily dressed railway guard, a shop assistant who can't add up, a public clock yet to catch up with British Summer Time - and we

channel our indignation into a sardonic letter to the Editor concocted on the hoof. Usually it tails off around the second paragraph, the desire to express oneself in pungent phrases dying as annoyance fades. It would have to have been an irritation of epic proportions to sustain us through a blistering hundred words of so to "I am, Sir, yours etc etc".

The second form is the letter that never is at its purest. It too is never finished, but only in the sense that the job of painting the Forth Bridge is never finished. It is revised and reworked all through the day, often over several days, sometimes over the course of weeks, months or even years. It concerns, as likely as not, a particular bee in the bonnet (I have one on "decimal currency" which I have been drafting since 1970).

But the subject is neither here nor there: it is the object that matters, and the object is to get the thing right, to hone and polish until it becomes the perfect letter to *The Times*, as much an example of the epistolary form as Lord Chesterfield's letters to his son.

Unlike the indignant fragment ("Sir: If this indeed is the age of the train...") induced by some passing irritation, the Mark II letter is seriously meant to be set down and submitted for publication. But the intention is always thwarted in the search for perfection.

I remember, in the course of some education controversy or other, coming across a letter to *The Times* from Kingsley Amis, one of those fellows who actually writes things down, instead of sitting around thinking about them. His retort was to the effect that what he'd really said was "More will mean worse", which was not to be taken as meaning the same as "More means worse". I was on the tube at the time. Fellow passengers began to edge away as, with the aid of gesticulating fingers, I set out to prove that Amis didn't understand his own aphorism. Unfortunately, by the time I'd marshalled my argument and reduced it to a glittering aphorism of my own, a week and a half had passed and I had missed the boat.

That, perhaps, is subconsciously the idea. Just as it is sometimes better to travel hopefully than to arrive, for some temperaments it is better to think about writing to *The Times* than actually to do it. Procrastination it may be, but look what we save on postage.

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## WHAT DR OWEN THINKS

Like the stimulating chill in the air which will presage the coming of autumn, the flow of the new political year's literature has now begun, heralding the party conference season. The first author in the field this year is the Social Democratic leader, Dr David Owen, not with a pamphlet but with a compendious book, based on his speeches and articles during the past year, entitled: "A Future that Will Work..." (Viking hardback £12.95; Penguin paperback £2.95). The future he has in mind is one moulded by Social Democratic principles, and specifically by his own interpretation of them. What Dr Owen thinks is certainly not synonymous with the thoughts of his colleagues but what he has to say deserves careful scrutiny because if anyone can give political force to the SDP it will be Dr Owen.

The first essay in his book is the key to his approach. Its subject is the Social Market, a concept and a term to which he lays claim on behalf of the Social Democrats, despite the fact that it is much more commonly used by Conservatives as the proper description of their approach to political economy.

Dr Owen claims that the term "social market" could become "a more accurate description of what many see as the correct mixture within the mixed economy", and claims that the Conservatives have misused the term to mean non-interventionism combined with support for the welfare state. In fact, he even asserts that the term is particularly associated with the 1959 Bad Godesberg agreement accepted by the German Social Democratic Party when it abandoned Marxist economics and in consequence achieved years of electoral success in partnership with the German Liberals.

Dr Owen's history is, however, less than precise. It was originally the Christian Democrats under Adenauer who campaigned for the first post-war

Bundestag with the slogan "social market economy", and it was the liberalization of the market by the German Liberal Ludwig Erhard in the predominantly CDU coalition which gave the term reality. The economic miracle that followed, forced the Social Democrats to change and accept the basic principles of the social market economy as the price of their survival.

Though there is government steering of the economy in consultation with industry, banks and unions, the over-riding criterion for such steering has been the avoidance of inflation and creating conditions within which free-market processes, operating for profit, really can function everywhere.

Is this really the kind of social market economy to which Dr Owen lays claim for the Social Democrats in Britain? It remains unclear.

The same kind of uncertainty attaches to his approach to the idea of an incomes policy. He thinks there should be one in some form because of the difficulty of pursuing a more expansionary policy without triggering inflation. On the other hand, he does not want the old centralized policies with fixed norms and percentages. He would like to see some kind of decentralized incomes strategy in which arbitration plays a major part. But having said this, he still thinks there must be mechanisms for restraining incomes in the last resort, including statutory powers. So where, in the end, do the Social Democrats stand on this question? It is hard to believe that Dr Owen, in talking about "a system of non-inflationary comparability for the public sector" does not hanker somewhat after the old bureaucratic structures - and, indeed, it is hard to be confident that his general interpretation of the "Social Market" economy does not involve a return to many of the old

bureaucratic and planning attitudes of the Wilson years.

There is much that is good sense in his approach. He advocates a free society, free of the class-clash attitudes which disfigure Labour thinking. He is patriotic in foreign policy; concerned for social welfare. Much of his emphasis on industrial consultation would now be shared by Conservatives. They would or should certainly welcome much of his thinking on social welfare. For as well as placing a special emphasis on the provision of welfare, which must be inevitable for any left-of-centre politician, Dr Owen denounces social policy which equates material equality with social justice. His definition of equality puts the focus of policy on the worst-off groups, and his test for welfare policies is whether they help the worst off. In other words, it is a selective approach to welfare which would appeal to many Conservatives, but the question is how far it will appeal to rank-and-file social democrats and the Labour voters they need to attract.

So many topics are touched upon so variously in this book (though it is often turgidly written) that one is left with the overwhelming impression that what Dr Owen and his party most badly need is political synthesis to indicate more clearly what they would like to do. Is social democracy fundamentally a return to state-planning egalitarianism? Or is there really an attachment to a free "social market" economy, and if there is, how do the party's attitudes to planning and economic management really stand up? Is it an egalitarian party (what precisely would it do about the redistribution of wealth?) or is it not? Dr Owen has many thoughts and he is trying to beat a new path in British politics. But he needs to give his thoughts much more shape, simplicity and clarity if his party is to go forward.

## THREATS TO FREE TRADE

September will be a crucial month for the future of free trade. On Tuesday, the textile committee of Gatt will meet in emergency session in Geneva in a list ditch stand to oppose the imminent imposition of tougher regulations on clothing and textile import quotas by the United States. The following week, President Reagan must decide on his response to calls by the country's International Trade Commission for tougher quotas on 70 per cent of US steel imports. His likely alternative appears to lie in a Commerce Department plan for voluntary bi-lateral agreements with several developing countries to curb their rising exports. Lobby pressure is also growing in Washington for the United States to withdraw from the so-called consensus of leading industrial nations on export credit subsidies, thus provoking an interest subsidy war.

Such moves are not unexpected. Influential members of the Reagan Administration who have stoutly resisted rapidly spreading protectionist tendencies in Congress have warned Europeans, in particular, not to overreact to what they see as inevitable gestures to protectionist lobbies by President Reagan in an election year.

Both the US measures and those in Europe show quite clearly that the commitments at the London economic summit and its predecessors to contain new protectionist measures and promote freer trade are simply not holding up. Despite the recent US predilection for

countervailing duties, Gatt has broadly held the line on tariffs and the various progressive tariff reduction measures have given a facade to movement to a more open trading system. Behind this facade, however, has grown up a plethora of quota restrictions and bi-lateral deals of more or less voluntary nature to limit the quantity of trade in specified goods between individual countries. The November annual meeting of Gatt will be presented with a dossier of quotas running to more than two thousand pages.

These represent almost entirely governments bowing to sectional interests. Few seriously question the general case for free trade in protecting consumers by competition, improving the efficiency of industry and the allocation of resources and aiding the development of the third world. It is vital that this general principle should be kept at the forefront, since protection for virtually any industry can be given a veil of intellectual justification by arguments to give new industries a chance to grow or old ones a chance to regroup and rationalise.

That is one reason for the rise of quotas and other quantitative restraints on trade. Exchange rates are fluctuating rapidly against each other, more often because of differences in interest rates than to reflect the balance of trade. The market mechanism, which should adjust for broad movements in competitiveness between countries, is not working.

Yet quotas are the worst kind

of protection. They stifle price competition more than tariffs and, export not merely unemployment but also monopoly, since car exporters from Japan or textile exporters from Hong Kong are induced to carve up their slice of foreign markets by informal cartel arrangements.

Moreover, quotas inevitably act more harshly against new producers and exporters and freeze the pattern of world trade.

The tendency to manage trade bi-laterally through quotas will undermine all the good work on tariffs in the postwar world unless more action is taken to match fine international declarations in favour of free trade. The underlying problem is the tendency of floating exchange rates to reflect interest rates rather than trade, exacerbated by international money markets in which other currencies are no more than planets revolving round the dollar. There can be no return to fixed exchange rates, which collapsed under the pressure of international hot money. For the same reason, official intervention in exchange markets can be no more than an expensive palliative.

Practically, the best hope may lie in the development of regional currency blocks around the Japanese yen and the European Monetary System to give more balance in foreign exchange markets. Within these blocks, there may be greater hope of that integration of national economic policies that has so notably failed at the world level.

## NOT QUITE CRICKET

Imagine if you will the scene. It is dark and dead of night in the White House. There is not a sound save for the distant hum of electronic security devices. The President sleeps, with a happy smile on his face, dreaming of the campaign he will hardly have to fight to secure his next term of office. His wife, without whom he could not manage, sleeps soundly by his side. But less deeply.

The silence in their room is suddenly broken in the small hours by a sudden, insistent, pulsating, regular shrill sound. She is wide awake. Is it President, or Chernenko on the hot line? Is it an aide to whisper some news about the final tally of communist gold medals at their version of the Olympics? Is it HADES (Hostile Across Distant Early-Warning System) and just four minutes to ring the children? The noise comes not from any telephone. It is not even man made. It is a chirruping cricket somewhere in the room. Mrs Reagan cannot get back to sleep.

House Counsellor on Pest Affairs was summoned. On his way in, he passed on his way out the red-faced Counsellor on Sports Affairs, who was sent for when aides said the President had a cricket problem. The second man ordered the plants in the President's bedroom to be removed. That night everyone went thankfully to sleep. Except Mrs Reagan.

The cricket was still in there somewhere, keeping her awake. On Tuesday morning the room's air ducts were sprayed with cricket-killing insecticide. That night everyone went thankfully to sleep. Except Mrs Reagan.

The cricket had expired, like England, she lay awake waiting for it to re-start. The anticipation was awful. She fretted through the night. Since then she seems to have slept more soundly.

The bedtime story comes from the White House press office this week where news conferences were unusually - for the time of the year - packed. The nation was agog to hear about the battle of Nancy versus insect.

When news broke, the nation had held its breath. Cricket experts (from Sri Lanka?) offered advice and help. Insomniac groups suggested counselling, and hawks thought Nancy ought to be given the emergency code words so that she could order the bombing of Russia in the night as (a) she was the only one likely to wake up in time, and (b) even if the President said it, everyone would think he was still joking.

The loudest cries should have come from the readers of Charles Dickens. In John Peerybingle's happy home, the cricket on the hearth chirped when all was well, and was silent when unhappiness pervaded. Dickens does not tell us what would have been the state of things had Dot Peerybingle arranged for the hapless creature to be sprayed to death, but perhaps the inner realisation of what she may have unwittingly done by producing pervasive unhappiness was what really kept Nancy awake in the small hours. It was not, Mrs Reagan, cricket, and we should know.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### High time for Britain to resolve industrial disputes

From Sir Hugh Cortazzi  
Sir, The Electrical, Electronic, Telecommunications and Plumbing Union's proposals to seek no-strike clauses in agreements on pay and conditions should be supported by everyone who wants Britain to survive and be more competitive. Those who criticize this policy at the TUC Congress next week should recognize that they will only score own goals.

The main political parties and both sides of industry in this country have generally accepted that an essential part of our strategy in trying to cope with the huge trade imbalance between Britain and Japan is to be found in industrial cooperation. This means not only British and Japanese firms working together in technology, manufacture and research, but also increased Japanese investment in productive manufacture in Britain.

We have had some successes, but we need much more Japanese investment. Whenever, as British Ambassador to Japan (October, 1980 - February, 1984) I advocated this, my Japanese interlocutors, from the Prime Minister and the Chairman of the Federation of Economic Organisations (Keidanren) downwards, invariably asked about our industrial relations record and suggested that this was a major obstacle to increased investment.

Last year I had good material to use in our defence. My successor's task this year is much more difficult. Japanese firms will pay good wages and will look after their work force in return for loyalty and hard work. But they are not prepared to be held to ransom by irresponsible behaviour or to be dragged into disputes which have nothing to do with them.

Dock strikes and transport strikes for political ends, to say nothing of miners striking for ever-increasing subsidies from the taxpayer, undermine all our efforts to get Japanese and other foreign companies to invest in Britain and create more jobs here.

The TUC Congress should begin with a resolution not to kick own goals!

Yours faithfully,  
HUGH CORTAZZI,  
Balloos,  
Vines Cross,  
East Sussex,  
August 29.

From Lord Lansdowne  
Sir, This nationally disastrous strike by the coal miners has run on so long that I wonder whether they and the nation as a whole may not be beginning to lose sight of what it is really all about and why it ever started. If the employers "win", what will they have won? If the striking miners "win", what will they have achieved?

Apart from taking the available measures to uphold the law of the land and order, HM Government has steadfastly maintained its position of non-intervention between the NCB and the NUM.

Within the framework of British

parliamentary democracy and free enterprise, this position is, no doubt, correct. But could not the Prime Minister, with her clear and incisive mind and with the great advantage of having access to all the economic and social factors involved, give to the nation an exposition of the situation as she sees it and remind us all of the sequence of events which have led up to the present state of bitterness and violence? Could she not tell the nation what she hopes her policies could ultimately offer to the mining industry?

Fear and anger have provoked slanging and slogging, and slanging and slogging are blinding reason. I appeal to the Prime Minister to speak to the nation and describe to us all the position as she sees it with a step-by-step account of how this dispute has evolved. I believe that such a restatement of the facts by her Majesty's First Minister might promote reasoning and help to bring about a solution creditable to both sides in the dispute.

Yours faithfully,  
LANDSLOWNE,  
Mickleour,  
Perth,  
August 30.

From Mr Anthony Cripps, QC  
Sir, The present strike situation raises not only industrial and economic problems of national importance but also a major constitutional issue.

The coal industry is supported largely by coal of taxation and the only democratic way in which taxation can be settled, as to how much is levied on all of us, is by Parliament.

If uneconomic pits are to be maintained in operation that is done through taxation and subsidy-matters for Parliament to determine. If the NUM were able to insist on uneconomic pits being continued in operation that means that the NIM is able to decide on the amount of subsidy and therefore on part of the taxation to be levied. Surely this is quite wrong on any basis of reason, or economics, or politics. The industry at present only survives on huge subsidies anyhow!

The great cost, in convenience and money, to all not involved in striking, to the nation as a whole, means that there is now conclusive evidence against nationalisation of any industry, for nationalisation puts the nationalised industry into what is a blackmail position to insist on doing what the industry wants against the wishes of the nation even.

The blackmail position arises out of the monopoly created by nationalisation, which is, however, unobjectionable on the grounds indicated provided there are not strikes of any significance.

Surely the time has come to require strikes in nationalised industries which last longer than, say, a week or two to be settled on terms decided by an independent tribunal, or even by Parliament itself? This is because the strikes of any significance remove the underlying dispute from the industrial to the political sphere.

### Advocacy rights

From the Chairman of the Bar  
Sir, I have just seen the report by your Legal Affairs Correspondent in *The Times* for August 21, and would like to clarify the position by amplifying some of the points which she made.

Employed barristers have for very many years been permitted by the Bar Council to appear on behalf of their employers before any court or tribunal which would hear them in their capacity as officers or agents of their employers. It was, of course, and still is for the court or tribunal concerned to decide in each case whether it would hear an employed barrister in that capacity. Rights of audience are granted by the courts or by Parliament, not by the Bar Council.

The change in the Bar's code of conduct was primarily intended to emphasise that employed barristers have a special claim on the attention of a court or tribunal by virtue of their legal qualification and training. It was published in February, 1984, and was not in any way related to the recent discussion about the position of barristers and solicitors to be employed in the new independent prosecution service.

Finally, I wish to make clear that an employed barrister is not permitted to appear as counsel in robes. Such robes are the insignia of the practising barrister and emphasise his independence of all parties.

Yours, etc,  
MICHAEL WRIGHT,  
Senate of the Inns of Court and the Bar,  
11 South Square,  
Gray's Inn, WC1,  
August 29.

### Death of Antonescu

From Dr Dennis Deleant  
Sir, The statement in your leader of August 25 that King Michael had the pro-Nazi dictator Marshal Antonescu shot is inaccurate. After the latter's arrest by the King on August 23, 1944, he was handed over to the Romanian communists. On September 3 General Malinovsky demanded his surrender to the Soviet authorities and he was taken to Moscow.

Antonescu was brought back to Bucharest in May, 1946, to stand trial for "bringing disaster on Romania and for war crimes". Convicted by a people's tribunal, he was sentenced to death and executed by firing squad at Jilava prison, near Bucharest, on June 1, 1946.

Yours faithfully,  
DENNIS DELEANT,  
School of Slavonic and East European Studies,  
University of London,  
Senate House,  
Malet Street, WC1,  
August 28.

### Lunghua Camp

From Mrs Irene Duguid Kilpatrick  
Sir, J. G. Ballard's *Empire of the Sun* as fiction is interesting reading (extracts, August 27, 28, 29) but, as he has used the name of the camp he was interned in, I feel, as an ex-internee of Lunghua Camp, that in that instance the facts should have been fairly portrayed.

Lunghua Civil Assembly Centre, seven miles outside Shanghai, was opened in March, 1943, and started with about 2,000 internees. British, American, a handful of Dutch and Belgian families. The Americans were evacuated six months later on September 20 to Laurence Marques, except for the two Jesuit priests, who nobly declined to abandon the boys they were caring for - 30 or so American seamen joined the camp later.

The Japanese just provided food, water and guards; the only contact was between their commandant and our camp representative and organizing committee set up to run the camp.

It was very well run - like a small town, with a school, hospital, churches, clubs for entertainment,

### Directional thinking

From Captain R. G. Sharpe, RN  
Sir, Philip Howard's lack of a sense of geographical direction (article, August 17) is a widespread disability easily alleviated. The secret is to take a point of reference, usually a prominent landmark (but for a journalist your "local" will do) and then orientate your surroundings to it, using the cardinal points of the compass.

Once you have acquired the habit of thinking in terms of north/south, east/west, even driving through unknown suburbs becomes a less daunting task. In unfamiliar houses most owners usually know which wall faces south and if it isn't geographically self-evident the orientation of the streets in the vicinity can easily be checked in advance from a single road map.

As Philip Howard suggests, sense

### News from Uganda

From the High Commissioner for the Republic of Uganda

Sir, May I be permitted to correct some of the facts reported by William Pike (August 24). Brigadier Sir Opon-Acak is a Lango but not a "cousin" or any relation of President Milton Obote; unless, of course, we were to regard every Welshman, or for that matter every Scotsman, a cousin to each other.

Smith Opon-Acak has been appointed chief of staff and not as head of the army. General Tito Okello, incidentally an Acholi, is the commander and head of the army. After the death of the late Brigadier

David Oyite-Ojok and at the time of Opon-Acak's appointment, there was not a single brigadier in the Uganda army; so five more senior Acholi "brigadiers" could not have been "by-passed".

While I am willing to accept the rest of William Pike's rantings in good humour, I strongly deprecate his deliberate and sinister attempt to drive a tribal wedge in the affairs of my country.

Yours faithfully,  
SHAFIQ ARAJIN,  
High Commissioner of the Republic of Uganda,  
Uganda House,  
58-59 Trafalgar Square, WC2,  
August 24.

From Mr Stuart Johnstone  
Sir, On the eve of the TUC conference I hope delegates will recognise that what is on trial is who rules - elected Parliament or the mob.

If the left-wing mob is allowed to rule there is no reason why a future left-wing government should not face a right-wing mob. This would be called fascism - and the present mob should be labelled the same.

We are on treacherous ground Many, and not only Tories, will see that Scargillism must be defeated, not to defeat unionism, but to defeat mob rule. After its defeat the more moderate union leaders will need widespread support in rebuilding their organisations on saner lines.

Yours faithfully,  
STUART JOHNSTONE,  
The Athenaeum,  
Pall Mall, SW1,  
August 30.

From Mr Reg Bolton  
Sir, I believe Mr MacGregor should write one more short letter to each of the 180,000 miners.

Each miner would be asked to complete a tear-off section of the letter, indicating "yes" or "no" to the following question: "Do you wish the Coal Board to make a formal request that the NUM holds a ballot on the Coal Board's most recent offer?"

Yours faithfully,  
REG BOLTON,  
219 Westcombe Hill,  
Blackheath, SE3.

From Mrs Phyllis M Green  
Sir, If my grandchild asks me what the miners mean by brother and comrades what should my answer be?

Yours faithfully,  
PHYLLIS M. GREEN,  
Corner House,  
Upper Grange Road,  
Beccles,  
Suffolk,  
August 30.

From Mr Ivor Berger  
Sir, Reference your article, "Saudis find coal in the desert" (August 29), could we not send Mr Arthur Scargill to organize the unions over there on our behalf?

Yours faithfully,  
IVOR BERGER,  
6 Shaw Close,  
Hartshorne Road,  
Bushy Heath,  
Hertfordshire,  
August 29.

study, sport and games and we turned the rough ground into productive and beautiful gardens. The Protestant clergy were in charge of drama, the Jesuits taught and organized games for the young and the Belgian Consul was a splendid cobbler.

The majority worked hard with little food, doing menial and dirty jobs through the boiling hot summers and bitter cold wet winters there were grumblers, but the British always grumble, it is their safety valve and keeps people calm.

Right up to the day we walked free standards of cleanliness and fair rationing of food were upheld, despite hardships imposed after a number of successful escapes.

The atom bomb that fell on Hiroshima wiped out the family of the Japanese commandant - we really tried him. I wonder how many Japs ever pitted us under their thrall in south-east Asia?

Yours faithfully,  
I. D. KILPATRICK,  
The Meadows,  
Woodhurst Lane,  
Oxted,  
Surrey,  
August 29.

of direction is a little more difficult in the dark, but the real advanced course includes being able to retain the relative direction of your mental point of reference while standing in a windowless room which keeps changing direction, as in a warship or submarine operations room at sea. After that even a north/south Whitehall running parallel to a predominantly east/west flowing river poses no problem (although in a different context Whitehall contrivances may have wider implications).

As always, the solution is to practise until a habit is acquired; in this case the reward in terms of peace of mind is worth the effort.

Yours faithfully,  
R. G. SHARPE,  
Royal College of Defence Studies,  
Seaford House,  
37 Belgrave Square, SW1,  
August 20.

David Oyite-Ojok and at the time of Opon-Acak's appointment, there was not a single brigadier in the Uganda army; so five more senior Acholi "brigadiers" could not have been "by-passed".

While I am willing to accept the rest of William Pike's rantings in good humour, I strongly deprecate his deliberate and sinister attempt to drive a tribal wedge in the affairs of my country.

### Books as objects to treasure

From Mr J. A. Griffin  
Sir, Christopher Hawtree's article (August 23) is timely. Book production standards have declined in such an extent over the past two decades that conservation of recent books is presenting an increasing problem to the British Library. The imposition of value-added tax to the already high price of books can only accelerate this decline.

The abandonment in many cases of machine sewing of hardback books (hand sewing has long been a thing of the past in most cases) in favour of the cheaper adhesive binding cannot be other than a retrograde step. Thread sewing is as old as the book itself. Its strengths are intrinsic, relying on the folded edges of the gathered leaves.

The so-called "perfect" binding relies only on the extrinsic strength of the adhesive used, such as polyvinyl acetate. The processes which precede this are the same as for a sewn book. Sheets are still folded and gathered in sections. The folded edges are then lapped off, like Samson's hair, and the weak and unstable piles of loose leaves that remain are held together by adhesive.

Many modern plastics are subject to cumulative depolymerisation from environmental factors, such as ultra-violet light. Even at very low levels of exposure this process is inexorable. It first manifests itself as an increasing brittleness.

It cannot be denied that the old animal glues were prone to suffer from the same problem, but with thread holding the book together it was only after a great deal of use that the book needed repairing. Once brittleness appears in the spine of an adhesive bound book the condition is terminal and can only be palliated.

That Oxford, once one of our great university presses, should be in the van of this headlong Armistepian pursuit of profit regardless, via the cheap and nasty, is a source of great sorrow to many bibliophiles. If the decline in standards were matched at point of sale most Oxford books would now be sold off street-corner barmen.

We are told that the digital book is almost ready to take over. The growth of home computers and the increasing availability of very high-quality laser printers on a downward price scale opens the very real prospect for the keen bibliophile and bookbinder to be able in the near future to access any book from a data base, format and print it in the typeface of his choice on the highest quality paper he can afford, and then bind it by hand to the very best of his ability, and thus some books at least will take their rightful place again as objects to treasure.

Yours faithfully,  
J. A. GRIFFIN,  
14 Hamilton Avenue,  
Halesowen,  
West Midlands,  
August 24.

### SDP and new ideas

From Mr Dick Taverner, QC  
Sir, Sir Alfred Sherman (feature, August 28) claims that the SDP has produced no new ideas, then adds in parenthesis that "Dick Taverner's Institute for Fiscal Studies is another matter, but he stayed out of the new party".

His implied compliments are undeserved. First, IFS is not "my" institute. Although I was its original director, and later its chairman, I cannot claim the credit for its excellent work.

Secondly, IFS has never had any connection with the SDP and is determinedly independent of all parties.

Thirdly, I joined the SDP at the start, indeed almost before it was founded. I am a member of its National Committee; and I was chairman of the group that, incidentally, produced a programme for the reform of social security, which is much the most radical and original plan put forward by any party since 1945.

Yours faithfully,  
DICK TAVERNER,  
60 Cambridge Street, SW1,  
August 29.

### The Tawney Society

From the General Secretary of the Tawney Society

Sir, If the Tawney Society is without an intellectual impact according to Alfred Sherman (August 28), why did the society feature in *The Times* news columns for two days running before Sir Alfred's piece appeared?

Yours sincerely,  
TONY FLOWER,  
General Secretary,  
The Tawney Society,  
18 Victoria Park Square, E2,  
August 29.

### Thought for the day

From Mr W. E. Robson  
Sir, Mr Owen Curtis (August 29) asks whether "tank" in "think tank" is a cistern or an armoured fighting vehicle.

Your diary (same day) says it was founded in 1974 by Sir Alfred Sherman. I have never heard of a Sherman cistern.

Yours sincerely,  
W. E. ROBSON,  
13 Priory Street, SE10,  
August 29.

From Mrs D. M. Wells  
Sir, If it is of any help to Mr Owen Curtis, in answer to his letter (August 29), I find that a nice hot bath makes the ideal "think tank".

Yours faithfully,  
DAPHNE WELLS,  
Snells,  
Great Henny,  
Sudbury,  
Suffolk,  
August 29.











Edited by Shona Crawford Poole

## TRAVEL

Michael Watkins, in Hamburg, finds order and angst, big feet and warm hearts and a multiplicity of eels



# Warnings in the wind for the snug city



There are cities where I feel threatened. In New York I would avoid certain areas unless armed with a Bren gun and six-inch mortar. Hamburg enfolds one, as in a fluffy duvet. Hamburg is gemütlich: Hamburg is... well, cosy. Hamburg. I was told over dinner one evening at Fischereihafen - a redoubtable fish restaurant overlooking the harbour - has no identity crisis. To which I was tempted to respond that perhaps it also had no identity; but on reflection I didn't think that was fair. It was a complacent remark, yet true. Hamburg accepts that it is more bourgeois than princely, that it favours conservatism over radicalism that it is slow to change and quick to condemn ephemera.

In 1189 the Emperor Barbarossa issued an edict giving the city the right to freedom of trade and exemption from customs duty along the lower Elbe. It is still free, yet lacks a sense of history. It was gutted by fire in 1842, a process repeated at the hands of "Pommes" Harris in 1943 when 70 per cent of the city was destroyed. 30,000 of its population killed. In some ways Hamburg is only 39 years old. Yet one being when rebuilding started in 1945, but the new skyline implies respect which, by virtue, it receives.

Most lake-bound cities are dramatic, and Hamburg is no exception. There is severity of line, an almost Lutheran air of non-compromise. There are copper-green roofs and, at night, the wonderfully illuminated spires of St Peter and St James. It is cold too, the sky metallic, a true northern city. There is nothing Latin about the architecture or the collective personality. A Hamburger is as unlikely to burst into tears as he would be to break into song. He is not spontaneous; even his reflexes are controlled. He knows precisely which side his *Brot* is buttered.

So it comes as a surprise to discover that it is a musical city. I found myself in St Michael's Church, tiered like a baroque theatre, at the hour of midday when old men come in from the cold and old women to pray and to remember. There were secretaries with the uniformed features of youth, and American

tourists reading love-letters from Oshkosh. Suddenly, without warning, we were deluged in crashing chords of Bach. It was a lunch-time concert, free unless you wanted to drop a few Pfennigs in the box.

That evening I went to the Opera House to hear Peter Weber, Udo Krewow and Jutta Renate Ihloff in *Zar und Zimmermann*. It was the usual story, common to all opera plots, of a tenor and a soprano who want to make love, but are prevented from doing so by the baritone; but the singing was hushed and at the end the audience got to their feet clamouring for nine curtain-calls. Had their idols not shown themselves, grievous hostility would have been committed.

It made me wonder if I had been wrong about a lack of passion. After all, Das Schiff, a converted wind-jammer specializing in staged political satire, is sold out six weeks ahead; while the Restaurant Alt Hamburger Aalspeicher is said to prepare more eel dishes than anywhere in the world - which is passionate enough for me.

Then there is the Reeperbahn... but if you think I am going to tell you about the seamy side

of life, you have another think coming.

Let me tell you instead about feet. I first came to consider feet during a conducted tour of the Rathaus, the City Hall, rebuilt after the 1842 fire. In one room hangs a vast canvas, painted on a day when the light was not of the best, of a bevy of senators. Their judicial faces gave little away so, for something to do, I studied their feet. What feet! When I rejoined the human concourse in Rathausmarkt I saw immediately that this is a hereditary condition. Look into any footwear shop, men's shoes are the size of small rowing boats.

Not that this in any way impedes business as usual. Billboards advertise Elton John, chewing-gum, Emmanuelle 4 and other things that make life bearable. When, a short while ago, the pet licence was doubled, 15,000 dogs demonstrated outside City Hall. The writing, even in this forensically tidy city, is on the wall: *Kinder Wollen Frieden*. It reads, Children Want Peace. And when, at the Captain's Table, I apologized to the waiter for leaving a plate of *Labskaus* piled higher than Hadrian's Wall, he answered: *Besser als umgekehrt*. Better than the other way. He

referred, perhaps unthinkingly, to the war, to times of hunger.

One marvels at the ordinariness of it all: there is such rotundity in the air, you can almost inhale it. All is well, one thinks; but here one would be wrong. For there is a deep underlying sense of anxiety. Hamburg is cut off from the natural hinterland to the east by the German Democratic Republic and, while the threat of Russian tanks grinding along Jungfernstieg is a possibility one must live with, the ailing port and 12 per cent unemployment are fact rather than hypothesis. There are alarming signs of a

talent-draw towards the south. Bavaria, previously patronized as offish, is being treated to keener scrutiny. The writing is on the wall for adults as well as children.

Which might, or might not, sail over the head of Dr Georg Symanke, curator of Hamburger Kunsthalle, who is more than half in love with matters aesthetic. If he is interested in the Stock Exchange, such interest is peripheral compared with his devotion to Meister Bertram's altar-piece from St Peter, dated 1379. This work must be his first treasure in the gallery. Others include the 12

landscapes by Caspar David Friedrich. Manet's *Nana*, the Otto Runge collection, the Hockney but not alas the Warhol. To say nothing of the largest canvas: Renoir ever painted; and nothing, in this respect, is surely the wisest comment.

Next day I lunched with my friend Erich Luth in the vaulted cellar beneath the Rathaus where once he sat in Parliament. Born in 1902, he was a radical pacifist until reading a book called *Mein Kampf*, a tale he found so cautionary that he denounced the author. Something happened then: that throws a curious light on the Nazi mentality. The Gestapo imprisoned Erich's brother in error, refusing to reverse the situation even when the real culprit surrendered.

There is something messianic about Erich; he stands alone, shouting warnings into the wind, warnings which the wind gathers and hurls back. Many of his 40 books contain warnings, but no one takes notice. Meanwhile he is getting old and, in a flash, he will be very old. His latest warning is that the Soviet Union is still shocked and afraid of the German ethos, and that somehow they will react. "I accuse

my countrymen for not studying this", he says. He is a beautiful man, with a massive intelligent head. "Optimism is my character", he says, "pessimism is my conviction".

After lunch we walked. Bridges took us over canals. We passed, at the lakeside, my hotel: Vier Jahreszeiten. Four Seasons. "How is it?" asked Erich. I told him that hanging from my bath was a large thermometer so that I could test the water without wetting my toes. It has the reputation, I told him, of being one of the best 10 hotels in the world; but how one judged the top 10 dentists, the top 10 barley-sugar manufacturers, the top 10 hotels was beyond me.

A stiff breeze came off the lake, ruffling feathers, mussing coiffures. We shook hands. "You must be braver than we were," he shouted into the wind. "But will you be braver?" I watched him go, battling into the wilderness, and I wondered if I would ever see him again.

It was unlikely that we would run into each other at my evening rendezvous beneath Bismarck's stern gaze. A maiden voyage along the Reeperbahn is like discovering that a favourite aunt, of impeccable moral rectitude, has three

Italian lovers and a penchant for naughty underwear. In less than 100 yards it was propositioned eight times by girls between 14 and 17 years old. "Just on my way home from the office," I told them.

Herbertstrasse is barred to traffic, women and minors. It is a street of houses with double windows at street level. The interiors are bathed in a pinkish, tinseltine glow; in each window, displaying their wares, prostitutes recline, invariably in pairs.

In Grosse Freiheit are the sex shows. Pornography really is a question of geography. In Amsterdam it is one thing; in New Orleans another. In Bangkok's Patpong Road it is a titillation, a giggling affair, innocent of corruption. In the Reeperbahn it is different again, mechanized, thorough, as erotic as last week's lettuce.

## TRAVEL NOTES

**New British Airways Heathrow to Hamburg in 1 hour 15 minutes.** (Club-class £228, PEX £118 return. On certain selected flights, £74 return.) My hotel, Vier Jahreszeiten, is superb in the stately old way and superbly expensive: a double room costs £38 - £117 per night, including tax and service (continental breakfast £6.25). Hamburg's Tourist Information Office also recommends the following more modest and moderate hotels: Graf Moltke, Standamm 1; Ibis, Wandsbeker Zollstrasse 26-28; Baseler Hospiz, Esplanade 1. Hamburg Information, Jungfernstieg 5, also offer a "Hamburg Weekend" with inexpensive accommodation, including coupons for sightseeing outings throughout the year with a maximum of three nights Fri to Mon - write for details. Eating out: fish restaurants abound by the sea soup. Hamburg specialty: Dinner for two including wine, £30-£35. Service and cooking at upper and middle bracket restaurants is uniformly excellent. In an interview with the British Consul, he permitted me one quote: "It is impossible to get weight here."

The map on August 11 wrongly identified Tanzania as Sudan.

Philip Ray with the latest information on cut-price fares and some unusual offers

## Sea change smooths the passage to the Caribbean



The price war between holiday operators seems set to extend to Caribbean cruising next winter. Norwegian Cruise Lines announced yesterday a starting price of £795 for seven-day Caribbean cruises from Miami in 1984-85, including the return flight from London, compared with £945 last winter. Virtually all its fly-cruise prices will be cheaper this year, the company said.

The reductions have been achieved partly by an agreement with British Airways for lower add-on fares for the London-Miami journey, which will start at only £29 return for

an advance-purchase excursion ticket in the low season (Nov 2-Dec 7 and Dec 28-March 29). Cruise passengers also have the option of travelling between London and Miami on Concorde at £709 off the normal return fare. The air-fare add-on to the cruise price also includes overnight accommodation and breakfast at a Miami hotel.

NCL bases four ships at Miami, including the Norway. **Economy in the East** A range of "Firecracker" air fares to 12 destinations in the Far East which cut normal rates by up to 60 per cent have been introduced by a specialist tour operator, Oriental Magic. The fares are based on travel by



## Wedding on the wing

Packaged civil wedding ceremonies in an exotic location, introduced by Wings Faraway Holidays in the Seychelles last year, are being extended to Bali in the company's programme for 1984-85. Over the past year 42 couples travelling with Wings have got married in one of three

### At home in Korea

A chance to stay with a family in a typical Korean home is provided in a new programme being launched by the country's National Tourism Corporation this month. It is a pilot scheme in preparation for the 1988 Olympic Games, when it will be fully implemented as part of the accommodation system for foreign visitors. Each family has at least one member able to speak a foreign language. The cost is £20 per night for a single room including breakfast, or £24 for double occupancy. Information from the Korea National Tourism Corporation, 1 Hanover Square, London W1 (01-408 1519).

### Scandinavian September

Longship Holidays, which is run by the Danish ferry line DFDS Seaways, has cut the price of self-catering holidays in Denmark and Sweden in September. Three nights in a Danish summerhouse on the Djursland Peninsula in East Jutland, plus two nights on the ferry, cost from £46. A minimum of two adults must travel together, but children go half-price and the car travels free. A log-cabin holiday in Sweden at Salberg, costs from £53 for four nights. One child per adult travels free and, again, there is no charge for the car.

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## TRAVEL 2

Leslie Gardiner takes a train through the gorges of the North West Frontier

## Scents of quince and sheep heads

To be led towards the gateway of the Indus by this particular Pathan is to have a few illusions shattered. In the first place, his name, Gulab, means "Rose". Secondly, he is mild, spotty and bespectacled. Thirdly, he cannot stand heights, which is how I come to be walking alone on the austere ridges where Pakistan meets Afghanistan, where tides in the affairs of men have been meeting since Alexander the Great passed this way.

Gulab apart, the North West Frontier satisfied all expectations. Even the railway station of Peshawar Cantonment was a nostalgic trip into the wonderful world of the Raj.

There were mock-Gothic portals segregating upper classes from lower classes, a departure board which listed Frontier Mail and Karachi Express, dusty black locomotive blowing off steam... and the scent of brain masala (curried sheep's head) from platform picnic parties competing with the scents of bellflower, quince and bitter orange from the bungalow gardens round about. At the station bookstall I couldn't find Kipling in the art nouveau Indian Railway Libraries editions, but I did find Barbara Cartland.

Our train was assembled from odd items of rolling stock. Three trispartite and four sheep were already in possession of the flat-topped truck. Other trucks took on loads of shapeless bundles, sacks of dates, nuts and edible seeds.

The blue car was the tourist coach. It had attracted a few German hikers, a party of Japanese tourists, a group of Old Comrades (they arrived in a grey-painted London omnibus) and an upright, skinny figure in a brown robe with a tangle of grey hair curled round his turban. This man, much more my idea of a Pathan, looked sharply about him as he climbed on board, like an animal suspecting a trap.

He paid no fare, Gulab said. Why should he? The route

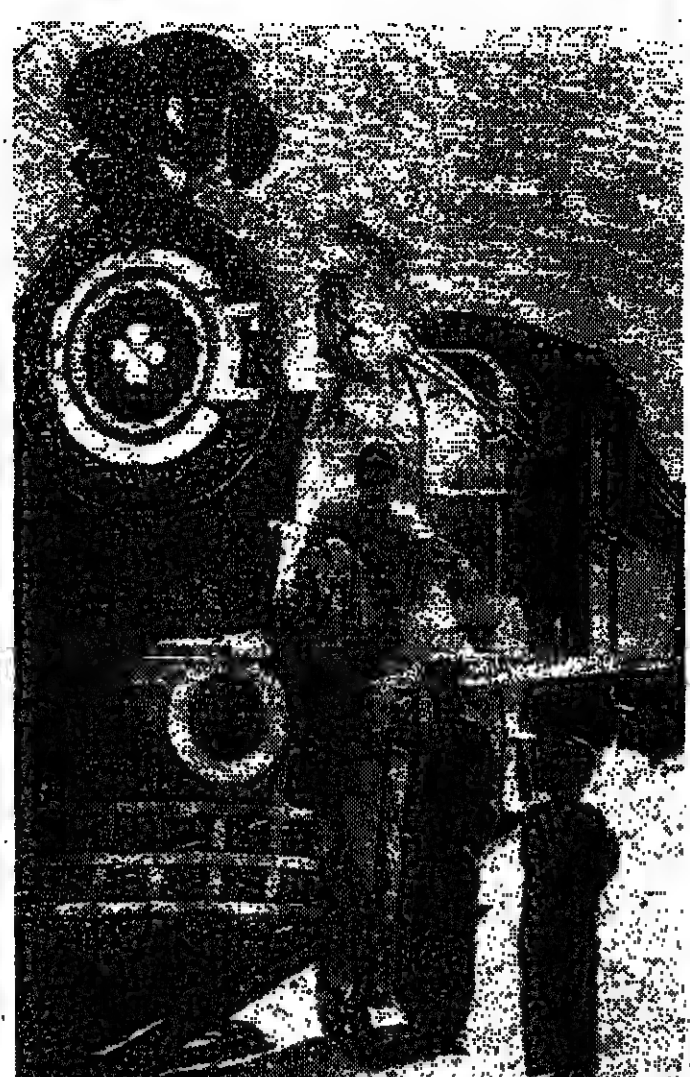
passed through his homeland. That was the agreement when the British built the line 72 years ago.

"Shalo... let's be off" - the stationmaster swung his bell, the tea-boy dragged his samovar gathered together the instrument of his craft, a few straggled tribesmen, trailing long scarves, leaped on to the trucks and a Japanese tourist who had expended rolls of camera film on the steam locomotive almost got left behind.

As an excursion it wasn't all that scenic or romantic. For half the journey we jogged across the monochromatic flatlands of the Vale of Peshawar. At the fort of Jamrud the train collected more livestock, more shapeless bundles and the flashing salutes of the Frontier Rifles.

We entered the Khyber Agency. We entered a gorge where you hardly dared put your head out of the window. Of the Khyber Pass we saw little: the railway cutting is 30 yards wide and 1,000 feet deep. A shaft of sunlight picked out the insignia of the regiments, old and new, carved in bas relief the rock-face - Essex, South Wales Borderers, Durham Light Infantry, Khyber Rifles.

Where the route began to look interesting, with 12 tunnels visible at the same time, we came to a cindery plateau and halted. This was Landi Kotal, journey's end for the train. Landslides have undercut the rest of the track and you descend to the frontier in a jeep. On the way down we heard rifle fire, nothing unusual for these debatable lands. A jeep came growling up the pass with about ten Afghans packed inside it, another stretched across the front bumper and another lying on top of him, clinging to the radiator. Driver and passengers fired festive salutes. They told us they were freedom fighters but afterwards Gulab scolded me for asking indiscreet questions: "Freedom fighters is another name for smugglers".



Pathan power: A decorated engine of the Khyber Pass Railway

"They said they were going to Peshawar to have their photographs taken."

"No, they are heading for Buri, where the best hash is grown."

At Tor Khama, the frontier post, the pageant of heavy goods vehicles and camel caravans had become a tableau representing philosophical resignation. "Many uniforms, many documentations," said Gulab.

Beyond the bridge another traffic jam awaited release. The sign said: "Welcome to Afghanistan. Please drive on the right." A hammer-and-sickle waved above the customs, but along with the blue-and-white national flag, a steady stream of gypsies, hardly distinguishable from the dirty, slouching border guards, passed back forth with cargoes of contraband. Now and again a scuffle broke out.

bath £20.50; there are also Dean's Hotel, second class, £13 a day and the International third class, rates on request. The 70-mile return rail trip from Peshawar to Landi Kotal, Fridays only, costs 12 rupees (65p). Peshawar and the Khyber region are included in numerous tours organized by PIA Tours Promotion, 121 Regent Street, London W1 (439 4209).

Exodus Expeditions, 100 Wandsworth High Street, London SW18 (870 0151) offers a 19-day tour of Pakistan's northern areas including Peshawar, for £340-£390. Occasional "lastminute" tours and similar ventures are advertised in military journals such as those of the Royal British Legion and the Officers' Pension Society.

Travel is selling return fares to New York for £319, Washington for £311, Miami £358 and Los Angeles/San Francisco £415. If you fly with Northwest to Boston (£339) or Chicago (£409), Slade will throw in a month's free insurance.

Booking through American Airplan enables you to undercut the APEX fare to Florida. You fly with Delta Airlines via Atlanta to certain destinations, for example, Fort Myers £388 in September, £331 in October, Daytona Beach £318/£378 and Sarasota £379/£333. With British Caledonian to Atlanta the fare is £369 and £339 and in October, Airplan's fare to Dallas/Houston is £389 and to Boston it is £269. Some surcharges apply for weekend travel. If two people travel with British Caledonian to Los Angeles (cost £449 each), Airplan will throw in two weeks' free car hire.

Other companies, for example Jetset or Poundstretcher, charge the standard APEX fare but throw in free items like flight bags, duty free vouchers and in-flight drinks/entertainment.

If you live far from London, Poundstretcher's offer of half price rail travel to the capital will come in useful. Another alternative is to consider the low-cost airlines, People Express and Virgin Atlantic. Both offer simple cut-price fares between Gatwick and Newark airport. Virgin flies daily for £119 each way (£10 weekend surcharge until 15 September) while People Express has a more complex schedule.

Until September 9 it flies twice daily reducing to one daily service. People's fare is £124 each way and you pay extra for services like baggage check-in and food on board. Its trump card is that it can fly passengers to destinations beyond its Newark base... and all at low prices. Typical one-way fares from Gatwick are: Washington/Boston/Atlanta £198; Pittsburgh £160; Houston £198; Minneapolis £198.

Contrary to what most passengers might think, both airlines are not just catering for backpackers. Virgin offers first class for £1,030 each way including a limousine service from your office or home plus a butler service during the flight. Until mid-September, two can travel for the price of one. People Express has a premium (business) class which consists of first class style seats but at a cost of only £338 each way - a third less than other airlines' business class fares from Heathrow.

Despite being considered a prime do-it-yourself destination there are US package deals available. Besides the traditional flight and hotel combinations you can choose from fly-drive and stay-as-you-please arrangements. Most major destinations are featured. Operators to try include Jetset, Poundstretcher and Airplan and their brochures are stocked at all high street travel agents.

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## IN THE GARDEN



Down in the Long Dell: Gunthers and exotic palms near the Bride's Pool

## Sissinghurst's loss is Sussex's gain

In 1946, Vita Sackville-West wrote of Jack Vass, her head gardener: "Oh dear God, please let Vass live strong and healthy until he is 80 at least, and never let him be tempted away to anyone else's garden." Eleven years later she fired him. They had clashed over the garden at Sissinghurst and she suspected his political leanings.

Sissinghurst's loss was to be Bordes Hill's gain, a garden of immense distinction where trees and rare shrubs rub shoulders in deepest Sussex.

Bordes Hill House is part Elizabethan with extensive nineteenth-century additions. The south front faces a large lawn with views across a deep ha-ha to park and farmland beyond. A series of terraces rise to the west among the woodland, planting they are devoted to plants with striking foliage and all-year-round interest, such as prostrate conifers and heathers.

Above the terrace is the Bride's Pool, recently created from an old tennis court. Semi-hardy plants take their chances alongside more hardy species: *Ceratostigma*, *Diplazium*, *Chusquea*, *Perovskia* are all thriving as is the delightful *Cosmos*, its flowers like chocolate-coloured velvet.

Col Stephenson Clarke, the grandfather of the present owner, helped finance many plant-hunting expeditions to the Andes, Tasmania and the Sino-Himalayan region and the fruits of his investment filled his acres. Magnolias and other unusual trees abound, such as the exotic palm, *Trachycarpus Fortunei*, from China, standing a good 20ft tall in a sheltered



Robert Stephenson Clarke, great-grandfather of the present owner

dell above the Bride's Pool. But for me this palm took second place to a cypripedium, a *Phlox paniculata* from north-west America, tall plants in rigid vertical columns that reach over 100ft.

Views can be had across parkland to the north of the house, while to the west one suddenly discovers a discreet herbaceous border sheltered by a tall belt of deciduous trees. This short, wide border is still full of flowers, with many

dahlias, scilla and the elegant, white flowered *Arum* which are yet to give of their best. While I was there a goldfinch plucked the seeds from the ripe head of a giant *Onopordum* and the seeds of a nearby *Clematis tangutica* hung like so many tangled chimes. In this part of the garden the trampet creeper, *Bignonia radicans*, more commonly known as *Campsis radicans*, is also in full flower.

Beyond the herbaceous border is an old rhododendron garden and further still a lawn dominated by a magnificent specimen of *Quercus cerris*, the Turkey oak. South from here is the walled garden, its inner edges given over to grey foliage and herbaceous plants. Here a burst of purple flowers, held aloft on long stems like so many burning tapers.

This walled garden was created in 1906 and the oldest surviving plant is a huge *Magnolia Delavayi*, planted in 1910. But there are animals as well, notably a lime green *Nicotiana* behind a blue haze of spiky *Perovskia*.

Jack Vass's role in the recent history of this 30-acre garden is honoured by a walk named after him cut through an old rhododendron thicket.

Michael Young

Bordes Hill Garden, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, 1½ miles north of Haywards Heath on the road to Balcombe. Plants for sale, restaurant. Admission £1, children 50p. Open Wed, Thurs, Sat and Sun, 10am-6pm, until end of Sept. Sat-Sun only in Oct.

This is the time of year when indoor plants come into their own. There is so much colour in the garden that the contrast of cool green plants is soothing. Unfortunately, because of the amount of work outside house plants are often neglected, a great pity since, with a little care they will last for months or even years.

House plants do not need a great deal of attention at this time of year but they will never tolerate neglect for long. I am often asked whether I talk to plants and the answer is yes, not because I think it does them any good in itself but because it means that they are getting proper attention.

Within reason, outdoor plants are able to withstand lack of water as they can tap the reserves in the ground, but obviously this does not apply to plants in pots; if they aren't watered they die. In most cases all the plant needs is enough water to fill the space between the soil's surface and the top of the pot. Allow the water to drain through and make sure that the soil or compost has not shrunk away from the edges of the pot and that the water is

being absorbed rather than passing quickly down the sides. If this is the case, sink the pot in a bucket of water and remove it as soon as the air bubbles have stopped rising. The soil will now be wet through and can be gently firmed against the sides of the pot. Always err on the side of under-watering - it is easier to give a plant more moisture than to dry it out.

Overhead watering is suitable for all plants except the hairy-leaved varieties. Saint-paulias in particular will not tolerate water on the leaves. Fine sprays of water on to the foliage and around the plant help to recreate its natural environment. Never spray foliage which is exposed to hot sun through a window.

Over the summer leaves tend to get covered with dust, which should be removed. Do not attempt to clean leaves which

## Cultivated contrast with a little inside knowledge



African violet Saint-paulia ionantha 'Eaglets'

are soft, hairy or a combination of the two, but only those that are firm (and usually shiny). The cheapest way to remove dust is by wiping the leaves firmly but gently with a soft cloth dipped in distilled water. Distilled water is preferable because it does not leave smears. More expensive, but equally effective are proprietary 'dust-removers'.

House plants should be fed all through the summer, and now is the time to think about the final feeds of the year. I am always prepared to continue feeding until middle or even the end of September if the plants look as if they need it. Foliage plants, like evergreens, never stop growing but slow down considerably during the winter. The amount of feeding must be reduced during this period, particularly with plants with a high percentage of nitrogen. Flowering pot plants are the exception, and must be fed until they begin to show colour.

There are a number of good proprietary pot plant foods on the market. Fertilisers which contain a high percentage of potash are most suitable now. Follow the instructions to the letter, for overfeeding is always unwise, and in foliage plants it produces the wrong type of growth. Indoor plant fertilizers are available in a number of forms - Phostrogen, Baby Bio and Seagol - all recommended.

All plants need light, but some need stronger light than others. In the summer plants are often moved to sunny windows or halls where the light is too strong, but with winter approaching they must be moved to a less sunny position. Green plants will tolerate 'much' lower light intensities than flowering plants or those with variegated leaves. Often trial and error is the only way to find out what a plant is unhappy in its position.

We can still expect a number of hot sunny days in the autumn, but plants must be placed in a sunny position where they can absorb the maximum light. If a plant is exposed to a strong light, it will be able to cope with it, but if it is placed in a sunny position where it will be exposed to a strong light, it will be able to cope with it, but if it is placed in a sunny position where it will be exposed to a strong light, it will be able to cope with it.

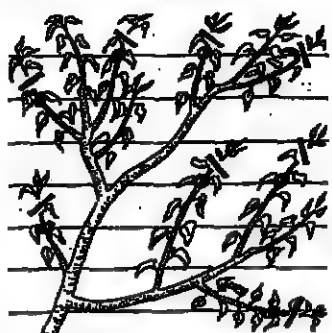
Ashley Stephenson

## Pruning peaches

Peach trees have got to make a strong, well-balanced framework before they can be allowed to begin fruiting. The principle of the framework is the same whether the trees are trained or bush trees. Young specimens can take years of growing before they should be allowed to carry fruit. Lateral shoots should be cut out to direct the energies of the plant into making a strong crown.

In the summer fruiting trees need to have the laterals pinched out to reduce growth and keep the centre of the bush open. At the same time you should be selecting what are called 'replacement shoots' to

take the place of the older branches which will be removed after fruiting. With young plants it is also necessary to keep the end shoot, called the extension shoot, as this builds up the framework of the plant. Well trained plants should have all the shoots which grow towards and away from the wall rubbed out. Laterals should be selected which are growing in much the same direction as the main branchwork. Laterals should be allowed 4ins of space between them. They should be tied to the wire framework which holds the tree in its position. Remove dead or diseased wood and once fruit has been picked cut off fruiting branches.



Pinch out laterals and tie to wire framework (left); cut fruited laterals after harvest, leaving replacements

## Crop manure

The practice called green manuring is not used much nowadays. However, some farmers still use this method of improving soils which are becoming overtopped or where they wish to improve the texture of the soil. In the short term it may, and usually does, reduce soil nitrogen. If green matter is dug into the soil it is useful for bacteria to take existing nitrogen to assist with the rotting down process.

Green manuring is simply digging into the soil a crop which has been allowed to grow. There are a number of crops which give better results than others, these include: lupins, mustard (this is the yellow-flowered crop regularly seen in fields), clovers and, if necessary, peas. Legumes, or the pea family, are good as they have nitrogen-fixing nodules on their roots. Grasses, and I include oats or rye grass, are also used. Mustard is ready to dig in after about seven weeks, so this is usually the best one for the amateur. If sown now it is ready to be dug in by early October. The soil

will be still warm and the ground well charged with moisture. These are two vital conditions for success. The rate is variable but if you use an ounce per 16 sq yd this will give the right results. Once the mustard is ready it should be smashed down with a spade or run over with a roller to break down some of the tissue. This helps the rotting down process. I always like to apply a dressing of nitro-chalk before digging in as this also helps with the amount of nitrogen in the soil. The ground must be allowed plenty of time after digging in to allow the green manure to rot properly. If it is dry at the time of digging in or just afterwards it will be necessary to irrigate. Digging in in October means that piece of ground is out of action until the early summer the following year. There is a high percentage of humus added by using this method which does not enrich the soil greatly but it does improve its texture. This is ideal for new gardens and worn out soils or in parts of the garden which have been overtopped.

## Enter evergreens

Evergreens should not be planted during the winter. Autumn and spring are the best times and September ideal. Moisture is particularly important with evergreens. The ground is warm and the plants have their normal water supply interfered with when being moved. The preparation must take this into account. Dig deep and add organic matter. A hole in an area of ground which has never been disturbed could become the drain for the surrounding ground and the tree or shrub could drown. Buying or lifting evergreens must be done with a great deal of care. Moisture loss from the plant must be kept to a minimum and filling in the middle of a hot, windy day should be avoided at all costs. Plants should be lifted on dull days or during a spell of dull, muggy weather. Lift in the morning before the sun comes up or in the evening when the weather is cool. An aid to this is a substance called S600 which is also known as a

transplanting spray. It comes from Synchemicals and coats the leaves of the plants with a thin film which reduces transpiration. This film must be applied before the plant is moved. Once lifted, spray the exposed roots with the same solution to keep water loss to a minimum. It is also important to keep the time between lifting and planting to a minimum. With container-grown plants there is not the same need to replant immediately, but the same care must be taken to make sure the plant does not run short of water.

*Choisya Ternata*, evergreen shrub with white flowers

## Spider Wort

*Tradescantia virginiana* is known as the Spider Wort. It is a flowering and foliage plant of much value, but is heavily abused indoors as a house plant. *Tradescantia* comes under the specific name of *virginiana* and there are a number of forms and varieties. It is a fairly easy plant to grow, although it requires to be shaded carefully. However, it will grow almost any decent soil, though with so many easily grown plants it is wise to keep away from the extremes of pH, anything between the upper fives and the lower eight will do. It should be grown in full sun, although will tolerate some limited shade. It is a hardy plant, but in cold countries it should be watered in good soil and not waterlogged. Its usual height is between two and a half feet. This is depending upon whether it is shaded and the variety chosen. It has a number of varieties, and *Tradescantia virginiana* is a very rare and beautiful one. It is easily increased by division in the late autumn. It is a good plant to have in the garden, and it is a good plant to have in the garden, and it is a good plant to have in the garden.

## OUT AND ABOUT

Boaters and floaters: William Hill on craft for hire along the Thames; and venues for food on water in London by Stan Hey

## Low down on the river in sleek and stately style

For the Thames snob the motor cruiser is a brass latecomer with all the charm of rain at Henley. It is noisy, clatters the locks and goes too fast for the comfort of other river users. For the keys to the river's social order are speed and age: the slower your craft and the thicker its crust of varnish, the higher its standing among boating buffs.

Precedence goes to the survivors of the river's Edwardian heyday, the punts and Thames skiffs favoured by the generation of day trippers that took to the water in flannels and striped blazers. They are sleek, comfortable craft, perfectly suited to long hot afternoons dawdling on the river. But like all good aristocrats they are expensive to keep and their dwindling numbers make it increasingly hard for the weekend boatman to find them.

When society gathered at Maidenhead on Ascot Sunday in 1905, Andrews, the grandest of the local boatmen, could put 150 small boats on the river to join the fashionable logjam at Roulter's Lock nearby.

Even in the 1920s there were around 30 boatyards at Richmond and Twickenham alone, employing a workforce of 250 to patch up and hire out a fleet of around 3,000 boats. Today there are just 32 yards with boats for hire by the hour along the whole navigable stretch of the river between Lechlade and Richmond.

The passing of the river's great days coincided with the arrival, in strength of the motor boat, with its unpleasant habit of making waves for lesser craft. The chief casualty was the punt, low in the water with no keel and a brute to handle in the mildest swell. By the 1960s it had been all but driven off the river below Henley.

Meanwhile, the public had found new and cheaper ways of idling away their weekends than messing about in boats. Faced with a fall in demand and the rising cost of caring for aging stock exposed to a daily battering for six months of the year, boatyards lost heart and shut up shop.

For the traditionally minded, the best selection of boats is now at Oxford, where the demand from tourists and undergraduates has kept more

than 300 afloat, including around 180 punts, rowing boats of all description and the odd Canadian canoe.

The punt is the perennial favourite. It's heavy, awkward to manoeuvre, and choosy about conditions, performing best in shallow water with a bed that is firm but not too firm. But for comfort and style, the punt is unbeatable. The standard model is a 25ft hulk of oak and mahogany with sprawling space for five. By perverse Thames lore, it should be propelled stern first. Technique has been a matter of debate since the Victorians first took to the sport. For the beginner the best tip is to use the pole as a rudder, trailing it in the water after each shove.

The finest punting is on the Chertwell, the tributary that threads through the meadows east of the city centre past the University Parks and the botanical gardens before joining the Thames by the college boat-houses. Motor boats are banned and the worst hazards are overhanging branches and inexperienced undergraduates.

There is normally a good supply of boats at Folly Bridge and Magdalen Bridge or at the Chertwell Boat-house off Bardwell Road. Outside Oxford there are still a few punts available at Hooper's in Henley and some fishing punts, forefathers of today's pleasure boat, are available at Wilsons in Ebury.

The punt's closest rival for elegance is the Thames skiff, the clinker-built craft favoured by the Water Rat and Jerome K. Jerome. Easy to handle, this was the staple of the Victorian boat-hire business, an elegant affair with benches for the oarsmen and a cane-banded seat for the cox.

But its good looks have been its worst enemy. In the last 20 years the cost of proper maintenance has destined most to be sold off or left to rot in quiet backwaters. Almost all boatyards offer only glass-fibre rowing boats, short on style and prone to wander with the wind, but easier and cheaper to maintain.

Fortunately, the finest collection of veterans survive where the river is at steepest - at Richmond, near the great



Henley heyday: Elegant Edwardians at the Royal Regatta in 1914

sweep of the river that takes in Ham House, Marble Hill Park and Petersham Meadows there are still 30 or more old timers for hire.

The fleet at Thames Skiff Hire by Richmond Bridge includes a centenary built to be shown off at the Paris Exhibition of 1884 and several others dating back to the last century. There is also a handful of authentic Thames skiffs at Martin's boatyard on the Surrey bank at Hampton Court.

Motor-boats, for the most part graceless interlopers with

shocking pedigrees, are available almost everywhere along the river. They come in all shapes and sizes from dinghies with outboard engines to outside glass-fibre 10-seaters with the looks of a ship's whaler.

Not all are fast river hogs and the noblest is the electric canoe, a freak hybrid from the 1920s with a battery-powered inboard engine and idiot-proof controls. The sole example is at Mark Edwards's yard at Hampton, home to a small assortment of beautifully restored classics.

The only other motorized aristocrat is the Skipper stern launch. Custom-built for the Thames, its distinctive outboard design is a masterpiece of engineering. It is intended to reduce its wash to a gentle ripple. In

private hands it is most often seen with red-faced men at the controls exhorting crews in training on the upper reaches of the river. Its true home is at Henley and many can be found at regatta time, chuntering up and down at a sedate 12 knots, the top speed allowed by the Thames Water Board.

Slippers of all sizes are for hire at Hobbs and Sons and Parrot's in Henley and at Swancraft, a few miles upstream at Wargrave.

The cost of hiring varies widely according to size and location. As a general rule it is cheaper on weekdays and away from the most popular centres. A four-seater rowing boat can cost as little as £2.50 an hour while a six-seater Skipper will set you back £12 an hour or £75 a day. Many yards will also ask for a deposit. To deter the untidy this can be as much as £250 for the most valuable boats. Where possible, booking is advisable at the weekends, particularly for punts in Oxford, where college block bookings can cause difficulties in term time.

## Cruise the capital for meals on keels

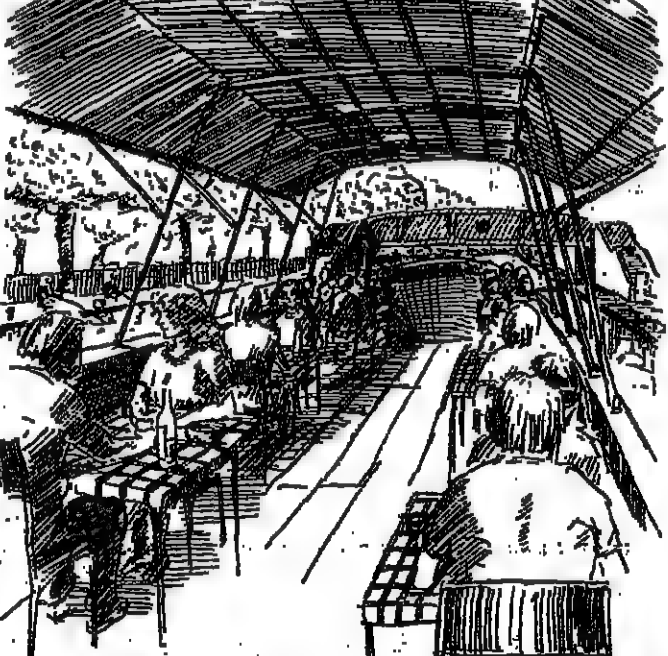
For such a nautical city, London is rather short on floating restaurants. The two main waterways, the Thames and the Regent's Canal, are well-stocked with pleasure craft and sightseeing cruises, but only a handful of enterprises seem to have realised the potential of linking food and water.

The most comprehensive operation on the Thames appears to be provided by Catamaran Cruisers, based at Westminster Pier. They offer floodlit supper cruises every night except Saturday, departing at 9pm; disco cruises, including a buffet, most Friday and Saturday nights; floating music-hall cruises on Sundays, Mondays and Tuesdays, including dinner and dancing; and finally a Sunday lunch cruise to Greenwich and back.

If the idea of a catamaran conjures up images of frail craft creaking up mountainsides while plates fly everywhere, be assured that the cruisers are substantial, well-appointed vessels, comfortably accommodating up to 200 people. Tables for six or more are ranged along two decks, with plenty of window space for sightseeing and a 'roll-back' roof for sunny days.

Our two-hour Sunday lunch trip to Greenwich (£10.50 adults, £5.75 children, departing at 12.45 pm) was a jolly affair. A three-course 'traditional' lunch with coffee is included in the cost, and although the choice of 'tomato soup' (or grapefruit segments), roast lamb, potatoes and peas; and gateau (or cheese) wouldn't win any prizes for originality, the food was of an acceptable quality and brisley served by pleasant waitresses.

The bar stays open throughout the cruise, providing, as other means of defying the Sunday licensing laws, at the time of the year, your fellow-passengers are most likely to be American tourists who, conditioned by Dallas, pronounce Southwark to rhyme with 'South Fork'. An engaging commentary is provided to augment your illustrated placemats, though as this takes place on the return trip, when the best sights are on your right, starboard seats are to be



favoured throughout, a case of 'soch' rather than 'poch'. Whatever the limitations of the food, the Catamaran Cruiser trip certainly provides you with a spectacular perspective on how London was a city shaped by its river.

Excursions along the Regent's Canal also provide an intriguing potpourri of history, lessons, embracing the nineteenth-century elegance of Little Venice and the twentieth-century dandification of Camden Lock, not to mention industrial warehouses and the zoo.

A highly enjoyable al fresco diversion

Jason's Trip, departing from Little Venice, takes place on an eponymous Edwardian narrow boat, complete with bright terry and glass trimmings. On two afternoon cruises (12.30pm and 2.30pm) basket lunches can be arranged, provided they are booked in advance. The 'Boatman's Basket' at £4.95 includes a generous selection of ham, pâté, garlic sausage, Scotch egg and bread, plus fruit and cheeses.

It's simple, fresh fare, and, with a drink from the cabin (beers and wines are available) and a pleasant, leafy hour-and-a-half voyage, Jason's Trip constitutes a highly enjoyable al fresco diversion. The same company also operates The Lace Plate, a 12-seater restaurant boat which must be hired on bloc for lunch (£15 a head) or dinner (£17.50 a head) parties.

The four-course menus available offer such imaginative dishes as Atlantic crab with

scrambled egg, local avocado soup, stuffed trout, beef Wellington and flamed pork fillets with apricots. If you can drum up 11 friends, it seems a stylish way to eat afloat.

The Regent's Canal trip will also pass the Gallery Boat Restaurant moored in Cumberland basin, and this may well tempt you to 'jump ship' to sample its excellent Peking-style cuisine. The Gallery Boat is well-appointed and pleasantly staffed, and has an intimate atmosphere; though the port-holes on the lower deck don't allow much of a view of the water (the more open deck is for larger groups of eight or more). Still, the smashing Peking-style scampi, cooked in ginger and garlic, and a voluminous plate of crisp, dried seaweeds, will keep you in touch with life on the ocean wave.

Catamaran Cruisers, Westminster Pier, London SW1 (839 2349). Jason's Trip and The Lace Plate, opposite 60 Bloomsbury Road, London W9 (286 3429). Gallery Boat Restaurant, opposite 15 Prince Albert Road, London NW1 (486 8137). All open: noon-10.30 pm and 6.30 pm-11.30 pm daily.

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VALUES

# Feast from the East

Beryl Downing explains why

well-oriented shoppers will head for Liberty and Brighton

Anyone in search of Eastern promise will have to head south this month. In London the collector's Mecca is Liberty's in Regent Street and in Brighton it is not the Prince Regent's duty pavilion but a small shop in Trafalgar Street which is holding an exhibition of Japanese textiles and dolls of specialist interest.

This hilly back street near the station will, I am told, eventually rival The Lanes as an antiques centre in Brighton. But at the moment it is still up-and-coming, like a semi-reformed down-and-out making a start by refurbishing his cardboard box with Osborne & Little. Here and there is a splash of style and the Japanese Antique Textiles exhibition at Page & Hawkes, 30 Trafalgar Street (0273 609310) is certainly worth a visit.

Brian Page has specialised in Japanese books and prints for 15 years, mixing them recently with art nouveau, which was strongly influenced by oriental design. The exhibition, which opens today for the whole of September, adds a selection of antique textiles, paintings, miniature doll's house furniture and traditional dolls collected in Japan by another expert in antiques, David Gribbin, who has lived there for 12 years.

There are 600 pieces of cotton, silk and wool on show - hand painted and embroidered kimonos, temple hangings, bedcovers and banners, dating from the eighteenth century to the present. The variety of design and technique is fascinating.

An eighteenth-century bronze silk hanging from Kyoto, still the main centre for brocades, features a 16-petalled chrysanthemum, the imperial motif, and a cotton bedcover is decorated with carp, the symbol of a young man's determination because it battles against the river like a salmon. Japanese salesmen, says David Gribbin, are always told to make eight calls on a prospective client. Even if they have had seven refusals, they have to go back once more before they can admit defeat.

Then there are cloths with intricate bird and cloud patterns which have been stencil dyed (the stencils, made of paper pickled in persimmon juice and punched out with a fine chisel, are also for sale at about £6 each). These also have very meticulous geometric designs made by tying and dyeing the warp and weft in the manner of ikat and making detailed calculations before weaving so that

the patterns appear automatically as the yarn is loomed.

"All these different styles are typical of Japan", David Gribbin says. "All the hallmarks of their civilisation come from somewhere else, and have been improved and adapted to their needs. They copied their navy from Britain, their army from Prussia, their legal system from France, their beer from Germany and long before that their designs were influenced by China and Korea."

"They attach no importance to being originators. Their maxim is that if you want to be first in a race it is better to stay second until the last few yards - then you run."

Apart from the kimonos, most of the textiles are flat pieces which have been used as altar cloths, hangings or simple covers for futons and are usually bought by collectors to stretch as pictures or use as wall hangings.

The longest are banners of about 20ft, depicting fearsome warriors and other symbols of

did Japanese dolls become nearly as pliable as their western counterparts.

Most Japanese dolls cannot be described as "user friendly". One of the most dramatic is an extremely fierce warrior waving a sword at a victim who is leaping out of his way like a startled cat. The warrior is a famous medieval character called Benkei, who was fierce but not all that bright - even today the Japanese refer to a man who throws his weight around in the office but is totally ineffectual at home as Uchi Benkei.

Prices for the dolls indicate that they are not toys. Even the cheapest is £195 and Benkei, under his glass dome is £1,800; they seem certain to become even more sought-after when a very handsomely illustrated book, called *Japanese Antique Dolls* by Jill and David Gribbin is published by Phaidon on November 8. It is the first book on the subject in English and consequently is certain to stimulate wide interest.

## SHOPFRONT

At The Liberty China Trade, which opens on Tuesday, Japan is represented by a group of woodblock prints of designs for fabrics made in the 1890s. They were originally bound in folders - probably used by salesmen as sample books - and all measure 20cm x 14cm.

There are 300 designs featuring clouds, birds, waves and flowers, each delicately drawn and coloured by some of the nineteenth-century artists who had such an influence on the artistic movements in Europe and the United States. Prices are from £25 to £35 each from Percy Barker at Liberty.

All the rest of the exhibition in the basement is devoted to goods from China - carpets, silks, pears, basketware. The show represents the longstanding association of Liberty with the Chinese, who have been supplying them with silks since the 1930s and now print many of Liberty's own designs.

Devotees of the annual collection of antique porcelain brought back from China by Liberty's oriental buyer Alison

Pyrah know that the show will also be a pot hunters' paradise. This year's selection is of particularly high quality and there are some interesting smaller pieces - teapots, for example, which have not been included before, and a collection of scholars' requisites.

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As more people learned to write and the technique of underglaze blue painting allowed less stylized design, the scholars and their requisites also appeared as decoration on larger pots.

Prices of the porcelain range from £3 for a small tea cup or dish to £1,000 for a vase made in the Fa Hsia technique - similar to cloisonné, but with the outlines made of clay rather than metal.

On her expedition this year Alison Pyrah also found a collection of beautiful antique embroideries - mostly pieces from mandarin costumes, such as arm bands and medallion motifs, which the Chinese thought she was mad to buy but which are being snapped up by home dressmakers to sew onto blazer pockets or applique onto dresses. These, all hand-made in silk, are from £5 to £30 each.

There are also interesting furnishings, from a superb pair of gilded panels intricately carved on both sides at £2,900, to modern lacquered screens, chests and tables, some inlaid with mother of pearl, from £85 for a carved drum stool to £975 for an 8ft high, eight-panelled screen.

Visitors to the China Trade, which continues until September 22, will be welcomed with a cup of jasmine tea, so if you are feeling parched after tramping round the West End you will know where to go. But be warned - with a collection like this there is no need for hard sell. The Chinese have more inscrutable ways of making you buy.

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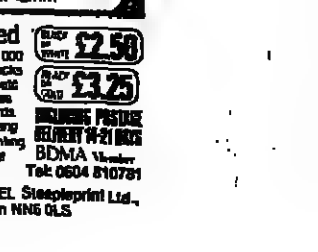
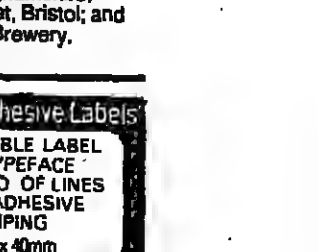
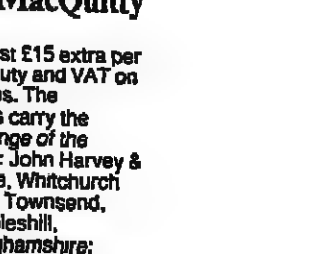
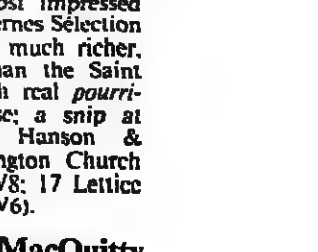
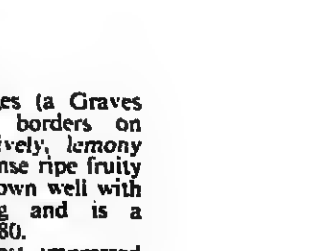
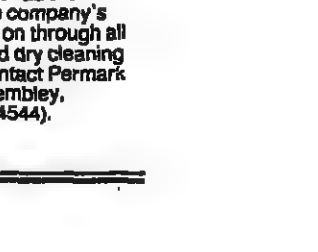
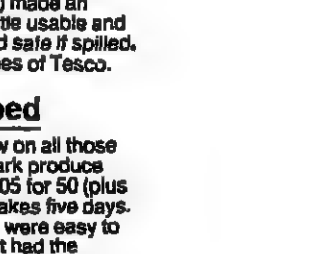
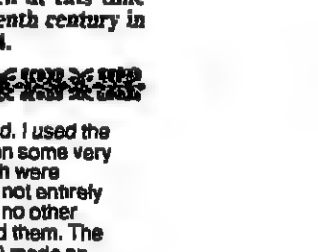
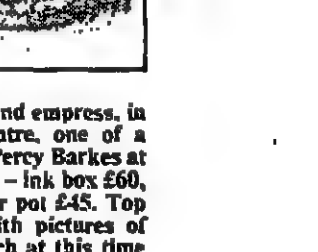
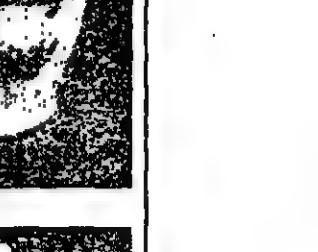
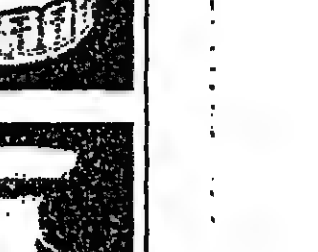
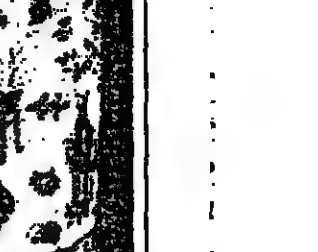
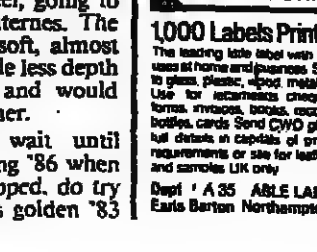
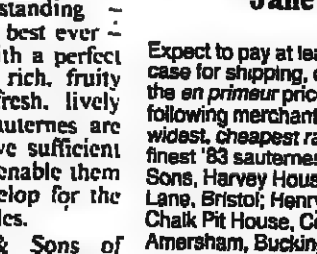
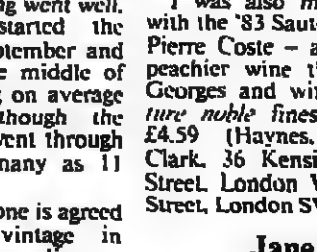
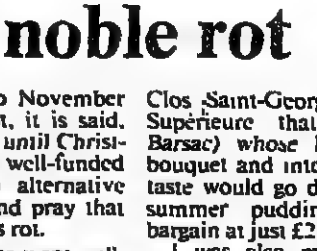
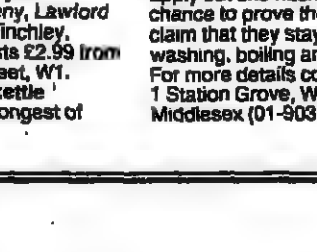
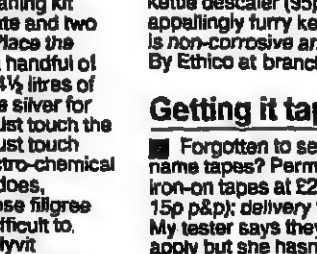
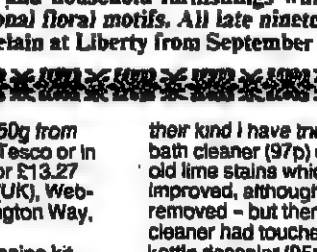
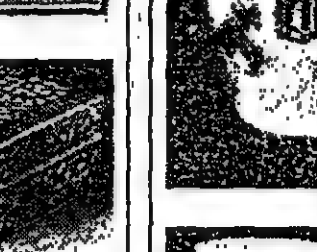
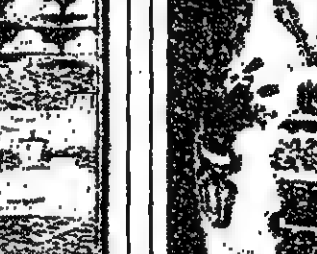
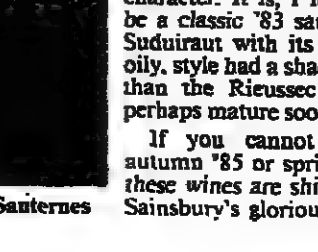
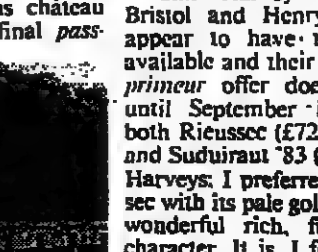
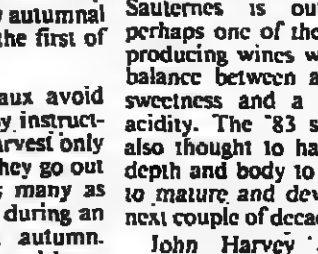
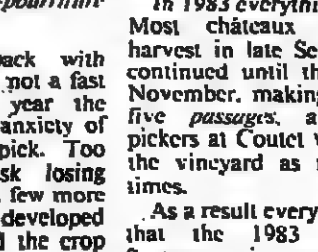
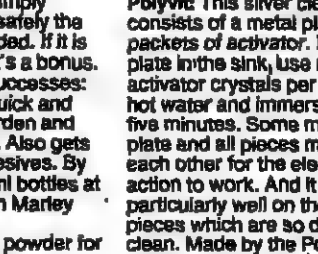
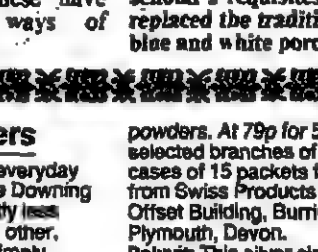
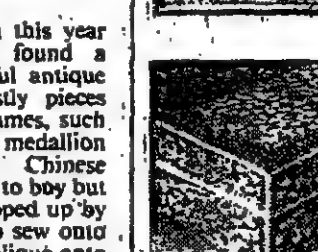
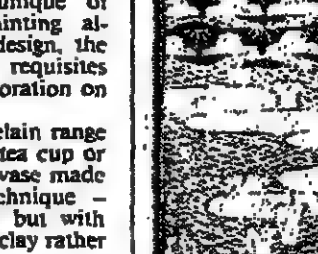
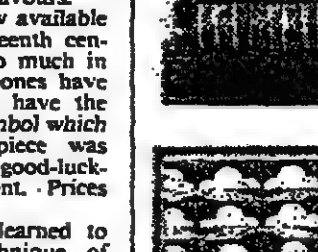
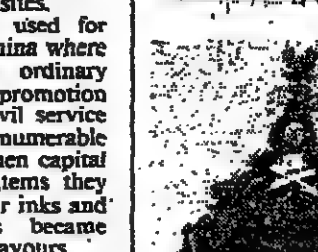
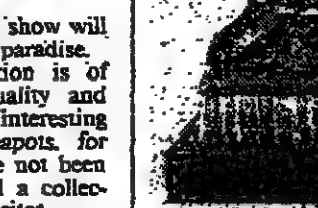
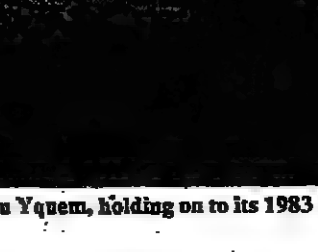
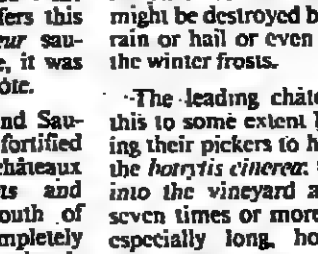
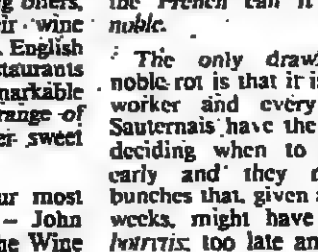
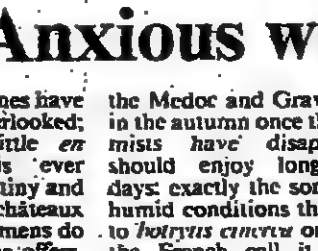
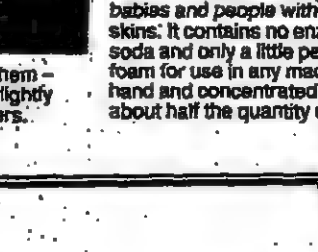
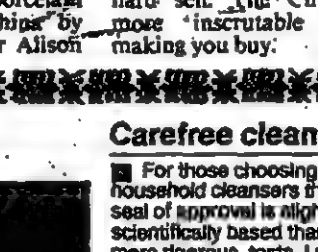
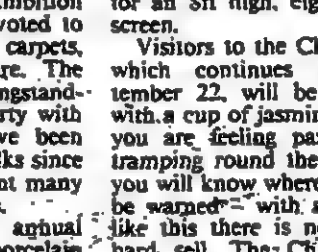
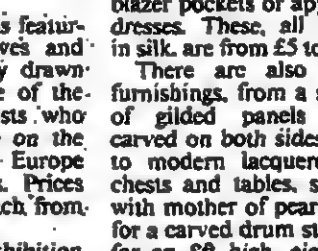
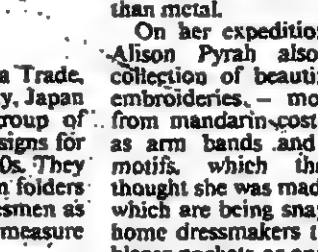
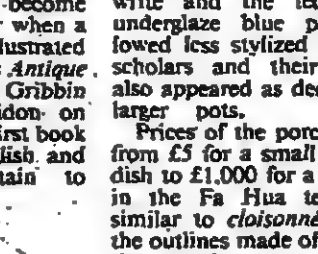
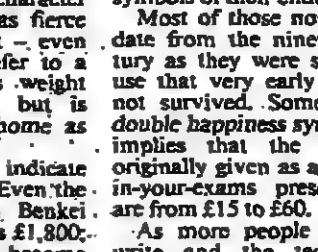
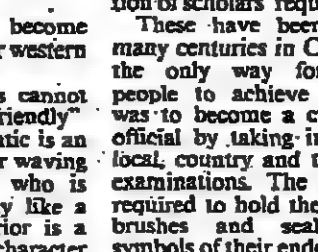
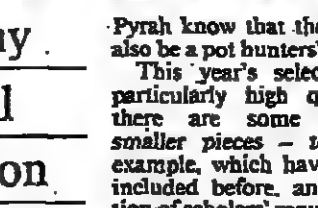
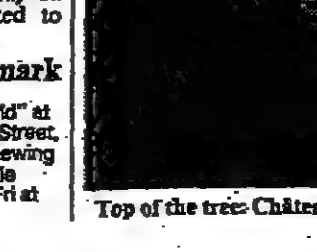
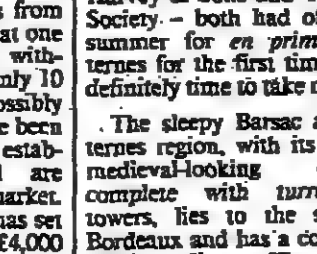
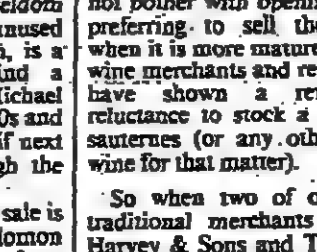
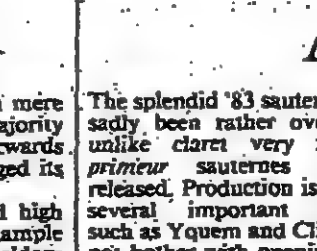
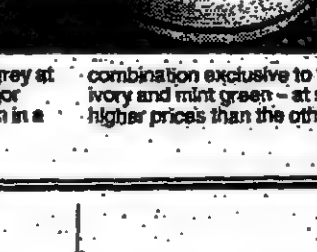
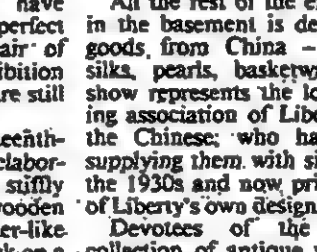
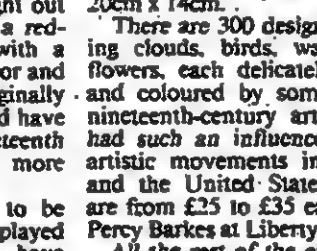
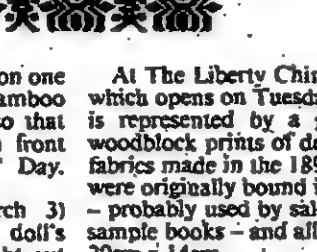
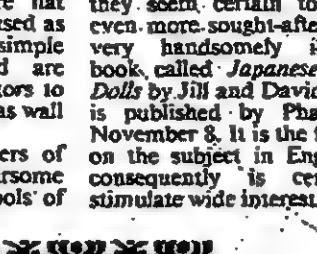
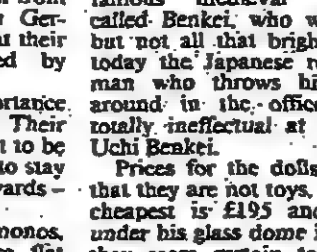
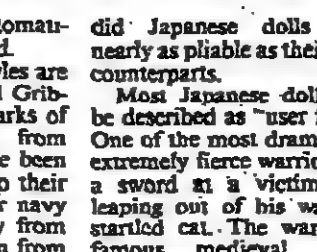
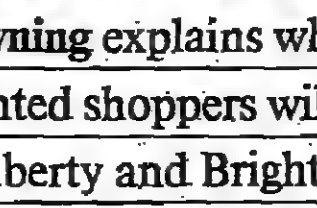
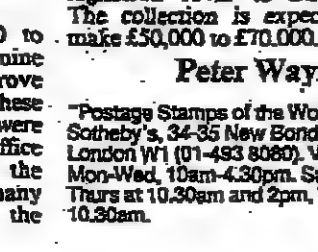
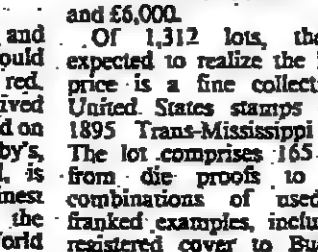
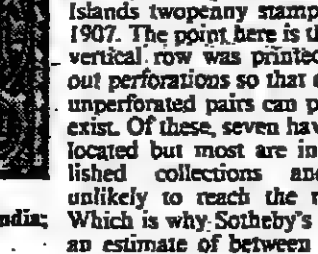
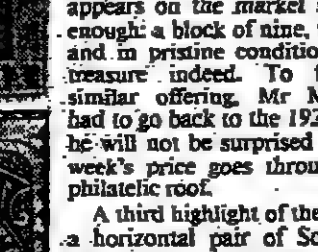
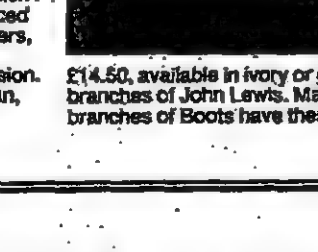
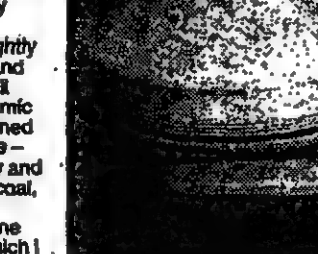
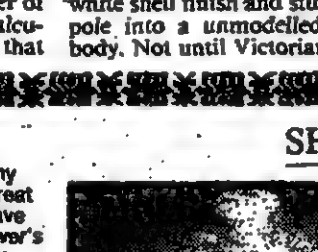
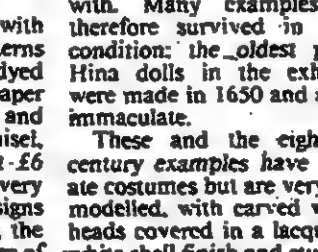
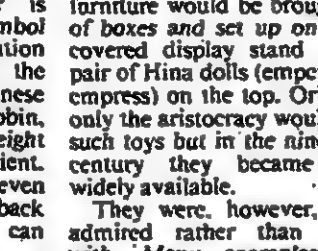
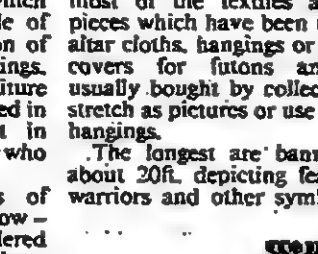
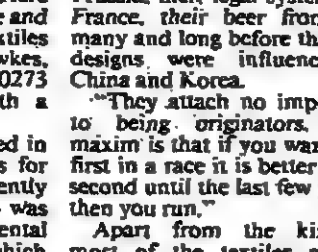
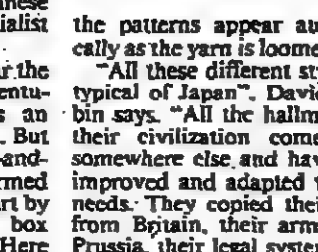
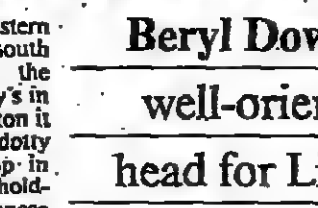
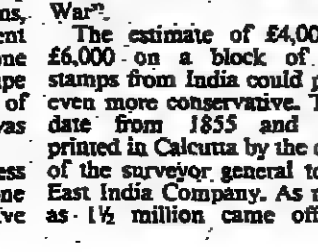
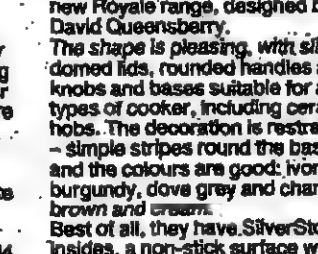
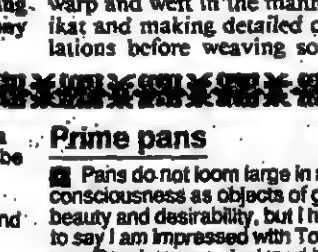
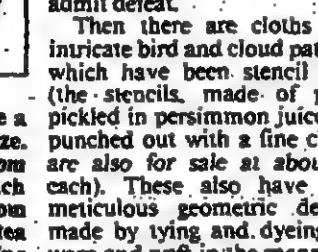
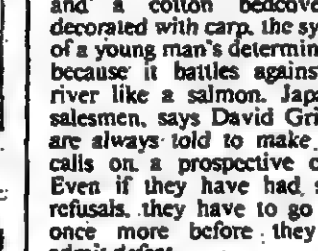
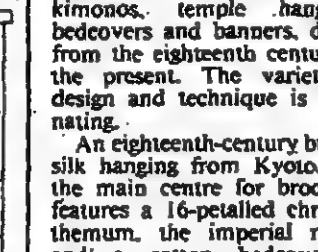
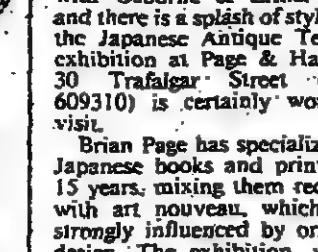
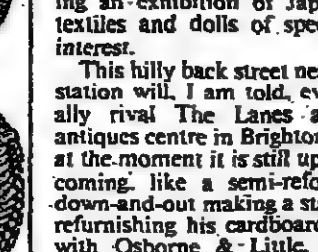
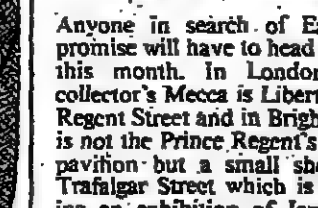
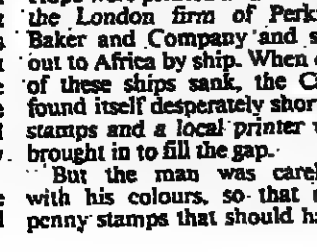
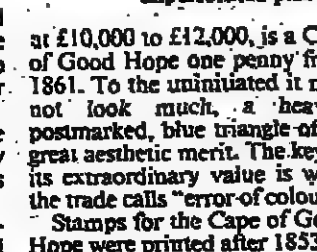
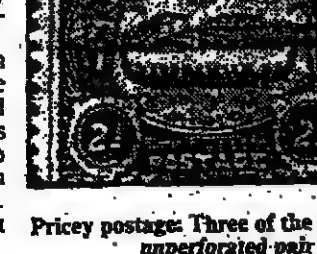
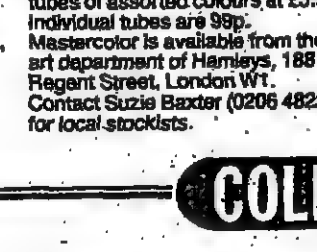
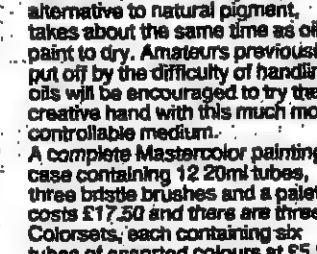
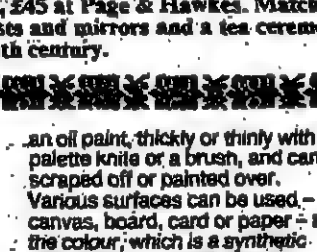
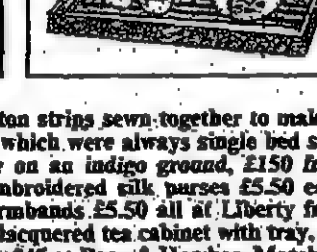
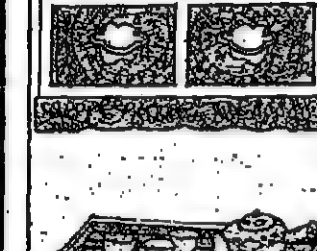
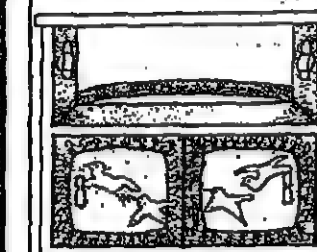
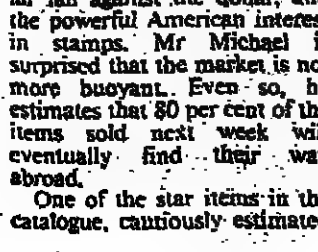
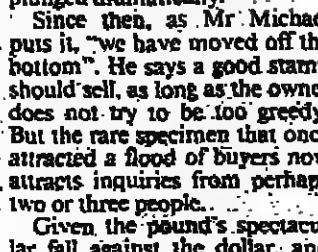
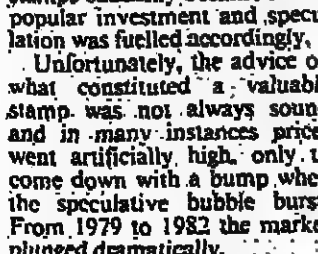
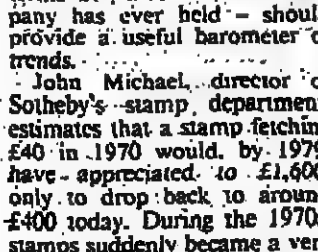
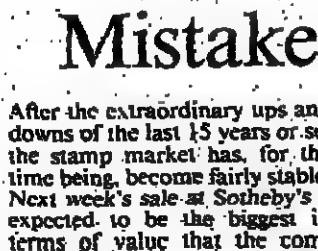
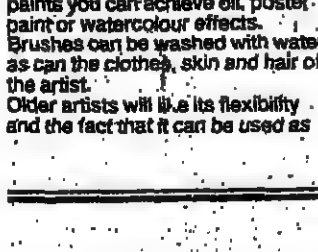
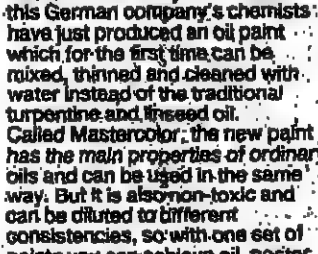
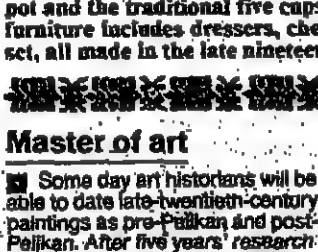
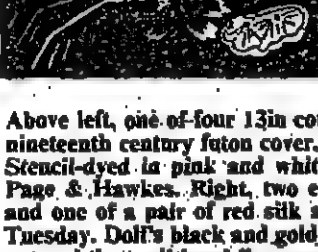
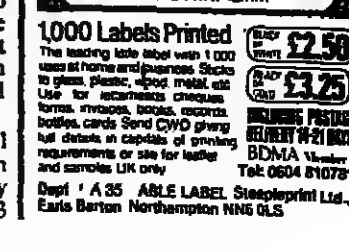
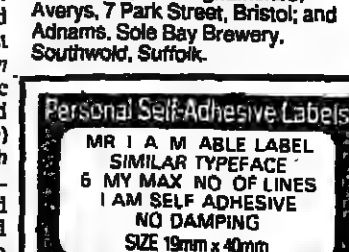
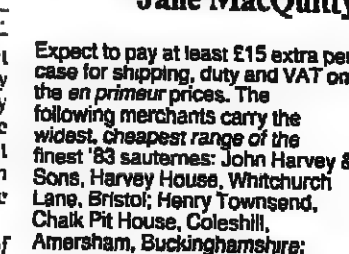
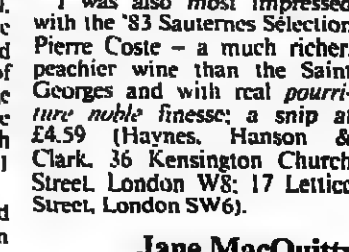
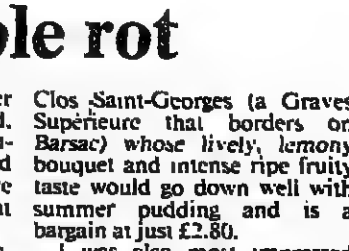
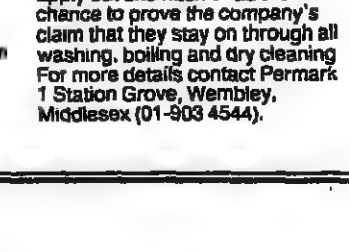
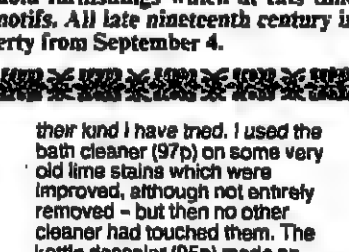
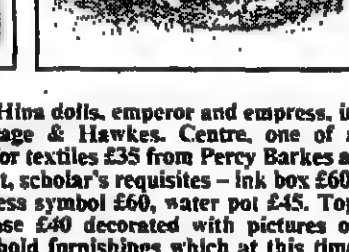
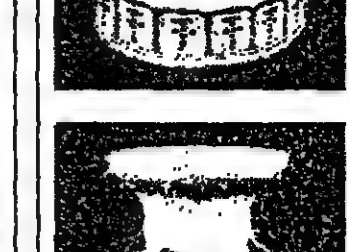
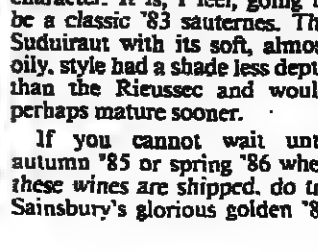
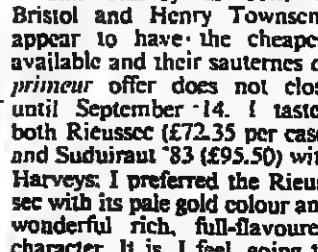
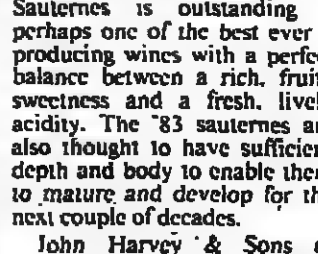
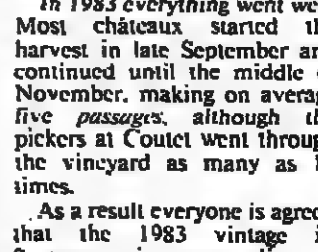
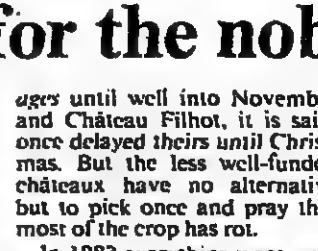
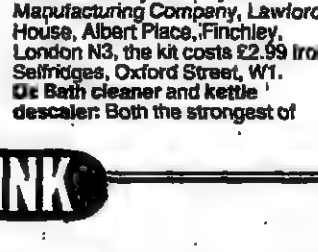
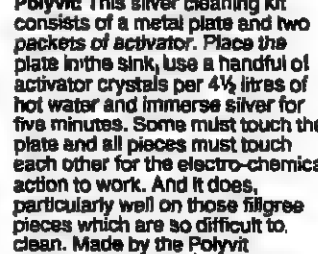
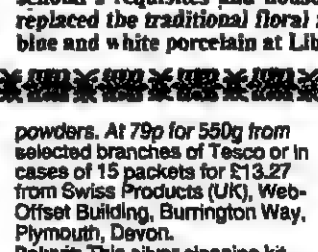
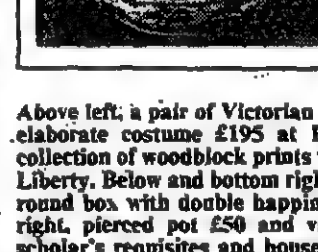
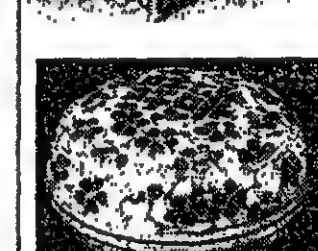
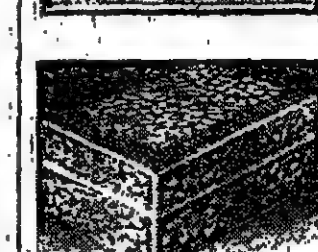
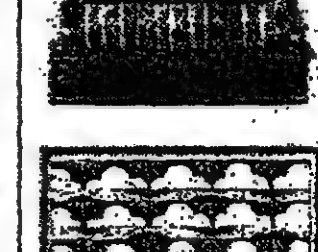
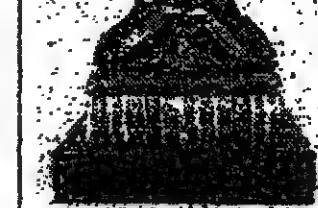
As more people learned to write and the technique of underglaze blue painting allowed less stylized design, the scholars and their requisites also appeared as decoration on larger pots.

Prices of the porcelain range from £3 for a small tea cup or dish to £1,000 for a vase made in the Fa Hsia technique - similar to cloisonné, but with the outlines made of clay rather than metal.

On her expedition this year Alison Pyrah also found a collection of beautiful antique embroideries - mostly pieces from mandarin costumes, such as arm bands and medallion motifs, which the Chinese thought she was mad to buy but which are being snapped up by home dressmakers to sew onto blazer pockets or applique onto dresses. These, all hand-made in silk, are from £5 to £30 each.

There are also interesting furnishings, from a superb pair of gilded panels intricately carved on both sides at £2,900, to modern lacquered screens, chests and tables, some inlaid with mother of pearl, from £85 for a carved drum stool to £975 for an 8ft high, eight-panelled screen.

Visitors to the China Trade, which continues until September 22, will be welcomed with a cup of jasmine tea, so if you are feeling parched after tramping round the West End you will know where to go. But be warned - with a collection like this there is no need for hard sell. The Chinese have more inscrutable ways of making you buy.



Above left, one of four 13in cotton strings sewn together to make a nineteenth century futon cover, which were always single bed size. Stencil-dyed in pink and white on an indigo ground, £150 from Page & Hawkes. Right, two embroidered silk purses £5.50 each and one of a pair of red silk armbands £5.50 all at Liberty from Tuesday. Doll's black and gold lacquered tea cabinet with tray, tea pot and the traditional five cups, £45 at Page & Hawkes. Matching furniture includes dressers, chests and mirrors and a tea ceremony set, all made in the late nineteenth century.

## Master of art



## CHESS

## Prodigious efforts in fiction and fact

There has been quite a spate of novels with a chess theme recently, but with the exception of Nabokov's *The Eye*, none have seemed at all interesting to me. Most have been studies of the rise and fall of a great chess-player and been based on the tragic-comedy of Bobby Fischer's winning and then rejecting the world championship. In general the authors seem to have merely wasted their time, expending many idle words on what Milton described in just one sentence: "that one talent which is death to hide".

But now, from the United States, there comes *The Queen's Gambit*, a really fascinating book by Walter Tevis (Pan, £1.95). It has its weaknesses, including some dreary chess passages and a certain ignorance of the chess world. For instance, it refers to the French chess magazine *Echecs-Echecs* as *Echecs-Europe* which jars; but it does give the painfully exciting atmosphere of the struggle for dominance in world chess and succeeds in so doing without employing technical terms that non-chessplayers might find perplexing.

However, I found some of the descriptions of play somewhat mystifying, possibly because the author was also mystified. It also seems to me to have been a mistake to describe the development of a girl chess prodigy into a great player, since there is no known case of this happening in chess. Perhaps the author's reason for having a heroine rather than a hero lay in his desire to avoid the charge that he was basing his story on that of Bobby Fischer, and it is, after all, a novel and not a history of chess.

Nevertheless, it is an interesting story and ranks alongside such books as Nabokov's *The Eye* and Canetti's *Auto-da-Fé*.

A reminder that one need not resort to fiction to find a suitable story about a chess hero comes from an excellent book published by the Pergamon Press: *Paul Keres Chess Master Class*, by I. Neishtadt (£9.95 hardback, £5.95 paperback).

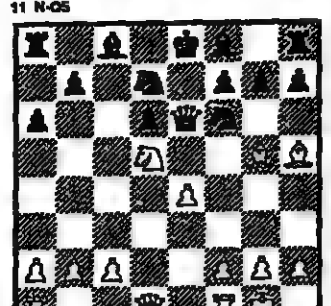
Here I must declare a personal interest as Paul was my best friend among the great masters and he represented for me all that was best and brightest in a galaxy of many brilliant stars.

Neishtadt has composed his book on an original and rewarding basis, taking advantage of the fact that Paul was a great master of the attack and also extraordinarily accomplished in the technique of chess, particularly of the endgame. The book is not only about Keres, but also about the techniques of the attack and of endgame play. It should be of great help and interest to all students of combinational play and of the endgame. As an example of the first I give a wonderful game he won in the Candidates' Tournament at Budapest in 1950.

White: P. Keres. Black: I. Kotov. Sicilian Defence.

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. Bb5 Bc7 4. d4 cxd4 5. Nxd4 Nf6 6. Nc3 Qc7 7. Bg5 O-O 8. Qd2 Rf8 9. Bxf6 Bxf6 10. Qd3 Bg7 11. Qd2 Bf8 12. Qd3 Bg7 13. Qd2 Bf8 14. Qd3 Bg7 15. Qd2 Bf8 16. Qd3 Bg7 17. Qd2 Bf8 18. Qd3 Bg7 19. Qd2 Bf8 20. Qd3 Bg7 21. Qd2 Bf8 22. Qd3 Bg7 23. Qd2 Bf8 24. Qd3 Bg7 25. Qd2 Bf8 26. Qd3 Bg7 27. Qd2 Bf8 28. Qd3 Bg7 29. Qd2 Bf8 30. Qd3 Bg7 31. Qd2 Bf8 32. Qd3 Bg7 33. Qd2 Bf8 34. Qd3 Bg7 35. Qd2 Bf8 36. Qd3 Bg7 37. Qd2 Bf8 38. Qd3 Bg7 39. Qd2 Bf8 40. Qd3 Bg7 41. Qd2 Bf8 42. Qd3 Bg7 43. Qd2 Bf8 44. Qd3 Bg7 45. Qd2 Bf8 46. Qd3 Bg7 47. Qd2 Bf8 48. Qd3 Bg7 49. Qd2 Bf8 50. Qd3 Bg7 51. Qd2 Bf8 52. Qd3 Bg7 53. Qd2 Bf8 54. Qd3 Bg7 55. Qd2 Bf8 56. Qd3 Bg7 57. Qd2 Bf8 58. Qd3 Bg7 59. Qd2 Bf8 60. Qd3 Bg7 61. Qd2 Bf8 62. Qd3 Bg7 63. Qd2 Bf8 64. Qd3 Bg7 65. Qd2 Bf8 66. Qd3 Bg7 67. Qd2 Bf8 68. Qd3 Bg7 69. Qd2 Bf8 70. Qd3 Bg7 71. Qd2 Bf8 72. Qd3 Bg7 73. Qd2 Bf8 74. Qd3 Bg7 75. Qd2 Bf8 76. Qd3 Bg7 77. Qd2 Bf8 78. Qd3 Bg7 79. Qd2 Bf8 80. Qd3 Bg7 81. Qd2 Bf8 82. Qd3 Bg7 83. Qd2 Bf8 84. Qd3 Bg7 85. Qd2 Bf8 86. Qd3 Bg7 87. Qd2 Bf8 88. Qd3 Bg7 89. Qd2 Bf8 90. Qd3 Bg7 91. Qd2 Bf8 92. Qd3 Bg7 93. Qd2 Bf8 94. Qd3 Bg7 95. Qd2 Bf8 96. Qd3 Bg7 97. Qd2 Bf8 98. Qd3 Bg7 99. Qd2 Bf8 100. Qd3 Bg7

A better defence was 9... P-KN3 10 B-K2 B-N2. The astonishing point about White's sacrifice is that he intended replying to 10... NxB with 11 Q-Q5.



Another remarkable move, if now 11... NxB 12 P-N4 Q-B4 13 Q-K1 ch N-K4 (or 13... Q-K4 14 P-K4) 14 P-K4 threatening 15 P-N4 QxR 16 PxB dis ch.

Or 12... Q-K1 13 Q-Q2 threatening Q-B3 or Q-R3 ch as well as BxN. Also hopeless is 13... QxNP 14 R-N1 Q-R4 15 BxN. Or 15... Q-B3 16 N-Q5 dis ch. K-B1 17 R-B3 K-N1 18 R-B3. 19 BxN ch K-R2 20 BxN ch K-R2 21 BxN ch K-R2 22 BxN ch K-R2 23 BxN ch K-R2 24 BxN ch K-R2 25 BxN ch K-R2 26 BxN ch K-R2 27 BxN ch K-R2 28 BxN ch K-R2 29 BxN ch K-R2 30 BxN ch K-R2 31 BxN ch K-R2 32 BxN ch K-R2 33 BxN ch K-R2 34 BxN ch K-R2 35 BxN ch K-R2 36 BxN ch K-R2 37 BxN ch K-R2 38 BxN ch K-R2 39 BxN ch K-R2 40 BxN ch K-R2 41 BxN ch K-R2 42 BxN ch K-R2 43 BxN ch K-R2 44 BxN ch K-R2 45 BxN ch K-R2 46 BxN ch K-R2 47 BxN ch K-R2 48 BxN ch K-R2 49 BxN ch K-R2 50 BxN ch K-R2 51 BxN ch K-R2 52 BxN ch K-R2 53 BxN ch K-R2 54 BxN ch K-R2 55 BxN ch K-R2 56 BxN ch K-R2 57 BxN ch K-R2 58 BxN ch K-R2 59 BxN ch K-R2 60 BxN ch K-R2 61 BxN ch K-R2 62 BxN ch K-R2 63 BxN ch K-R2 64 BxN ch K-R2 65 BxN ch K-R2 66 BxN ch K-R2 67 BxN ch K-R2 68 BxN ch K-R2 69 BxN ch K-R2 70 BxN ch K-R2 71 BxN ch K-R2 72 BxN ch K-R2 73 BxN ch K-R2 74 BxN ch K-R2 75 BxN ch K-R2 76 BxN ch K-R2 77 BxN ch K-R2 78 BxN ch K-R2 79 BxN ch K-R2 80 BxN ch K-R2 81 BxN ch K-R2 82 BxN ch K-R2 83 BxN ch K-R2 84 BxN ch K-R2 85 BxN ch K-R2 86 BxN ch K-R2 87 BxN ch K-R2 88 BxN ch K-R2 89 BxN ch K-R2 90 BxN ch K-R2 91 BxN ch K-R2 92 BxN ch K-R2 93 BxN ch K-R2 94 BxN ch K-R2 95 BxN ch K-R2 96 BxN ch K-R2 97 BxN ch K-R2 98 BxN ch K-R2 99 BxN ch K-R2 100 BxN ch K-R2

Or 23... BxP 24 B-N6 ch K-B1 25 R-B7 ch K-N1 26 KxB and White wins.

Harry Golombek

## BRIDGE

## Boot on a more delicate foot

A few years ago, I was sufficiently incautious to write an article attempting to explain the difference between the top women bridge players and their male counterparts. Although I took the precaution of ensuring that the article should appear in the paper while I was playing in a tournament in Dubai, I did not escape the consequences.

As I entered the playing rooms, I encountered a formidable female brandishing a copy of *Time*. "Are you that male chauvinist pig, Flint?" she inquired, in tones that left no doubt of the stormy interview that was to follow.

Today the boot is on a more delicate foot. Whereas only their most ardent supporters would expect our men's team to win the World Olympic title in Seattle, the British Women's team, despite a powerful challenge from America, Italy and France, are undoubtedly favourites.

Their status as the current holders of the Venice Cup, the Women's World Championship, was only slightly tarnished by their failure to win the 1983 European Championships in Wiesbaden. But as the racing

correspondents say, it would be wise to disregard that rumour, which did not represent their true form.

The nucleus of the World Championship teams remains unchanged: Sandra Landy, Sally Sowter, Nicola (Gardener) Smith and Pat Davies. To this experienced quartet the selectors, after carefully deliberating the results of some closely fought trials, have added the bright young pair of Sarah Scarborough and Gillian Scott-Jones.

Gilbey's have generously provided some most welcome sponsorship. This will help the players who live far apart to congregate more frequently, and give them the priceless advantage of Gus Calderwood's coaching.

The two leading partnerships in the women's teams use systems which could be described as classical. Scarborough and Scott-Jones, who play Precision, will obviously benefit especially from Gus Calderwood's experience of artificial systems.

The fiercest challenge will probably come from the powerful American team, Kathie Wei,

Judy Rabin, Jacqui Mitchell, Gail Moss, Carol Sanders, and Betty Ann Kennedy, although they lost their American title at the recent USA Spring Nationals in San Antonio.

The following hand from the semi-finals proved the talking point of the competition, as Henry Francis vividly describes in the *American Contract Bridge Bulletin*.

USA Spring Nationals, North-South Game, Dealer South

♠ KJ9  
♥ K87  
♦ A108  
♣ 104  
W E  
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♥ A864  
♦ A9832  
♣ 102  
S

In both rooms the contract was Six Spades by South. At one table West led a heart, East won the first trick with the ♠Q and unwisely attempted to cash the ♠A. Declarer ruffed, drew trumps, and disposed of her losing diamond on dummy's ♠K.

At the other table, Terry Michaels had a harder task when East, after winning the heart lead with the ♠Q, switched to the ♠9. With a shrug of resignation, she tried the double diamond finesse. Some hours later she realized how she could have made that slam. "Fishbein always told me not to take a finesse when I could try a squeeze."

Terry Michaels is certainly a harsh critic of her own game. But with the Ace of hearts marked in the East hand, the squeeze is a superior line because it will succeed not only when East has the ♠Q but when he has any four diamonds. This will be the five-card ending.

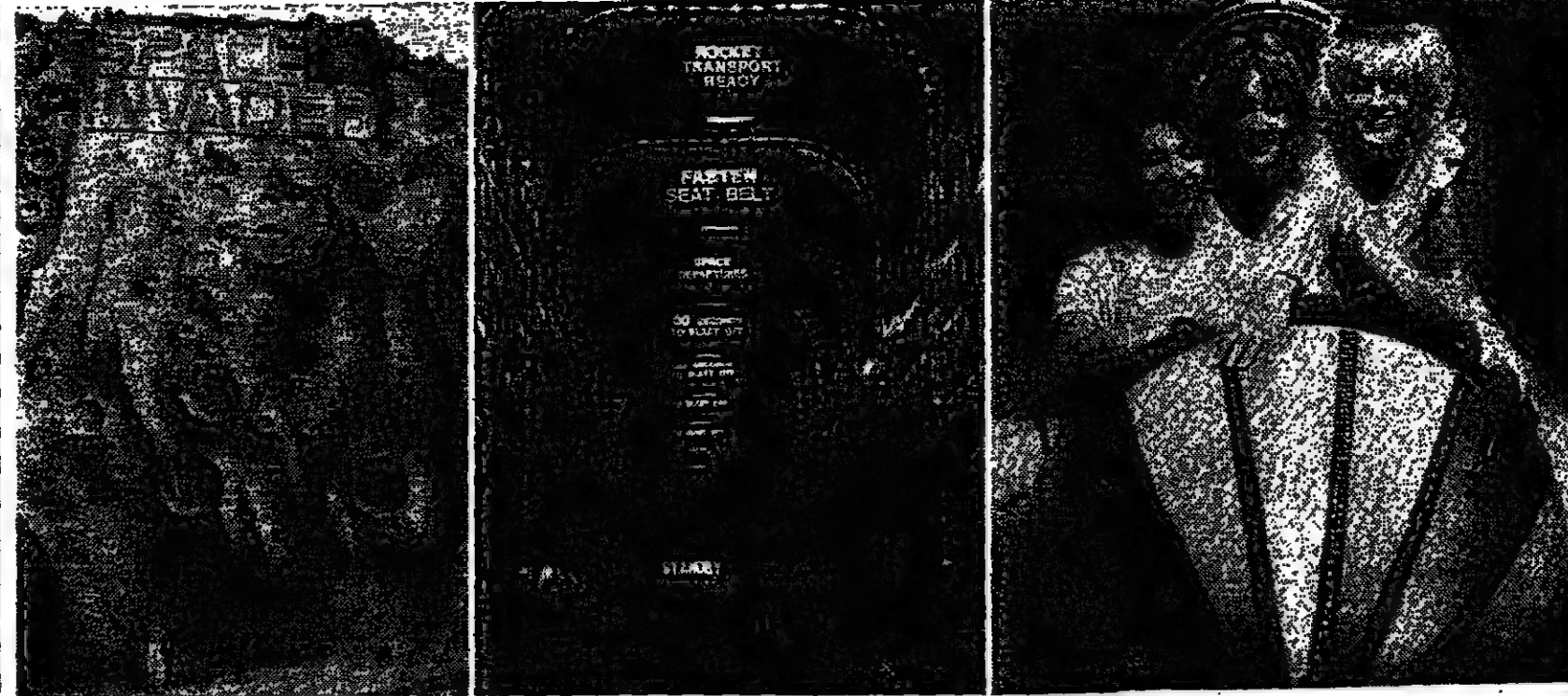
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When declarer plays her penultimate trump, discarding a diamond from dummy, East has no counter. If she parts with a diamond, declarer cashes dummy's AK of diamonds and returns to hand with a heart ruff to score the last trick with the ♠10. If East bars the ♠A, declarer crosses to dummy with a top diamond, ruffs a heart, and returns to dummy to enjoy the established ♠K.

Admittedly a difficult hand, but I have every confidence that the British Women champions would have proved equal to the test.

Jeremy Flint

## FAMILY LIFE



Lost in space: The monster's blanchange-like exterior, combdown to blast-off with realistic flashing lights; fellow-travellers in the capsule itself

## Into a black hole with white knuckles

"This new ride," said the press release, "has been built at a cost of £1.2m - a steel roller coaster, set in the dark. Passengers will feel weightless as they hurtle through space into a terrifying black hole, at a speed of up to 65mph and a maximum G force of 1g."

"Thank God," said the appended letter from a colleague, "I cannot go to this and do not suppose you want to either. On the other hand, you might." I could think of nothing, except possibly crossing the Atlantic on a windsurfer, that I would rather do less.

Nevertheless, nevertheless... I am supposed to explore all kinds of possible family outings and there are people who positively enjoy that kind of thing. And so it was that my good friend Ben, aged 15, and I found ourselves on the way to Blackpool Pleasure Beach.

We made our way along the Golden Mile, down avenues of stalls selling burgers, chips, Blackpool rock and glass sea-horses, to come suddenly upon a large structure that looked as though it were extruded from bluish polystyrene: a huge blanchange from which the cook had been unable to remove the bubbles. The Space Invader.

Once inside we passed life-

sized models of astronauts suspended in space, robots and a simulated flight deck of a rocket. Then up two narrow flights of enclosed stairs - the "time passage" - to a narrow, enclosed landing - the "launch pad" - for a peek at the red and silver vehicles, which were designed to look like space shuttles.

We went back downstairs to be greeted with cocktails "with a difference". They were corporation baths - blue, lukewarm, but enlivened by fruit salad and sparklers, which the barman kindly lit, setting fire to a few straws.

We peeked into the marquee where lunch awaited us - sumptuous multi-coloured mountains of mousses and mayonnaise. "Presumably," said a member of our party, "We will be riding before lunch?" "Oh no, Dr Who is up there with the photographers now, then there's the mayor and mayoress, the official opening, lunch and then you can have a go." "Do you provide paper bags?" someone asked.

We won the day when the chief engineer - a genial, russet-haired giant - told us to follow him. "Is it really safe?" asked a lady journalist and mother of two. "Safe as houses," the

engineer replied. "My daughter's ridden it a dozen times. And we've even tried it with sandbags."

My good friend Ben had been keeping a remarkably low profile. "How would you rate it in terms of scareability?" he enquired. The chief engineer laughed. "Oh, definitely top of the white-knuckle league," he said, "worse than the Revolution" (from which one hangs suspended, upside down, 50ft above the ground).

Ninety seconds can be an eternity

In everyone's life there are a few truly sickening moments when one knows, too late, that it has all been done wrong and there is no undoing it. I tried to concentrate on reporting but could think only of the sign outside the Space Invader, with large, which warned against riding if one had a weak heart, bad back or was of a nervous disposition. How about terror, I thought, not to mention vertigo. The ride only lasts 90 seconds, I heard myself say, "I know," said Ben. "I've been timing - it can be an eternity." "You sit in the front, young man," said a mechanic. "Far more frightening." "Thanks",

Ben said, "but I'll sit in the back. Behind Jude."

"Round my waist", I ordered Ben's hands, reading a second sign which said something like "Do not stand up, let hands drop over the sides or try to get out of the capsule once it is in motion. In an emergency, stay put."

It was too late. We were moving through a black hole, "like a coffin," I thought, "going through those curtains at a crematorium. How apt!" We turned a corner and climbed a steep, grey gradient, all the lights dimmed - and we came quietly to rest. I tried to comfort myself with the knowledge that the invader has a solid state electronic braking system.

And then as our stomachs seemed to shoot into our mouths, and every semblance of stiff upper lip disintegrated we hurtled down, down, into the black void - then round and round, sickeningly fast, climbing, joining on some unseen perimeter, only to fall again at a terrifying angle, while the air rushed past our flattened faces. We screamed, uttering language such (as a friend used to say), as would not be tolerated in the foetus of a whaler.

And then it was over and an angel in white (the managing director of the Pleasure Beach

in a cream suit) beamed down and prised the limpets apart and helped them out of the capsules and a nightmare.

We were supposed to have seen "unfriendly aliens, dangerous gaseous planets, shooting stars, asteroids and other spacecrafts" on the way, but like most other passengers on their first trip, we saw few of either because our eyes were firmly shut or because we could only think of heaving interiors and galloping hearts.

I am told that while the lady mayoress stood up well to the ordeal, several other dignitaries turned green. And there was concern among our ranks for one lady who looked blue. But perhaps that was because our eyes were a little ghoulish at the time. As far as Ben and I were concerned, it would be hard to imagine whiter knuckles. And if you like sheer terror, then there is no better place to be scared, almost literally, to death than on the Space Invader. We have the white knuckles to prove it.

Judy Froshaug

You can ride the Space Invader at Blackpool Pleasure Beach, Blackpool (0253 41033) for 90p. Open daily from 11am to mid evening. Only passengers over 4ft 2in tall may travel on the ride.

## Outings

**THE RED BARON:** First time ICA Children's Cinema club's season called "To The Stars", which deals with man's ambition to conquer the limitations of space. The first film (directed by Roger Cornall) made in the United States in 1977. Shows stunts, dog fights and amazing aerobatics as First World War flying ace Baron von Richthofen battles with the British in the "first ever war in the air". ICA, The Mall, London SW8 (850 3647). Today, tomorrow at 1.30pm. Adults £2.50, children £1.40, including free club membership.

**ANIMALS AS ARCHITECTS:** Last chance to see this imaginative and thought-provoking exhibition for all ages, both children and adults. On display is a broad range of structures which animals build to live in or trap prey - from nests and spiders' webs to termite mounds. Natural History Museum, Cromwell Road, South Kensington, London SW7 (689 6323). Today 10am-6pm, Free.

**GAMES DAY:** Described as a festival of adventure, board and computer games, with a wide variety of indoor games for display and demonstration. They include playing and video games. Royal Horticultural Society's Halls, Greycoat Street and Vincent Square, London SW1 (834 433). Today 10.30am-6pm. Tomorrow 10am-6pm. Admission £1.25.

**THE MODEL WORLD OF ROONEY PEPPE:** An exhibition of original illustrations by children's author Peppé from books such as *The Mice Who Lived in a Shoe* and *The Kestrel's Kitten*. The artist's own models on which drawings were based and Peppé's own animated models, based on Victorian models but designed, crafted and painted by the author herself. National Theatre, South Bank, London SE1 (833 0880). Today and Mon-Thurs, 9am-11pm. Free.

**A HISTORY OF TEMPLATE PRINTING:** Exhibition showing many examples of the brightly coloured biscuit and other tins made in the late Victorian and Edwardian eras. The story of the printing process is explained as it was performed then up to the present day. Printing and Papermaking Gallery, Science Museum, London SW7 (859 3456). Until Oct 7. Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2.30-6pm. Free.

**TAXI DRIVER OF THE YEAR COMPETITION:** Annual event, which 73 finalists compete for the title. Competition testing their knowledge starts from the Tower of London at 10am, arriving later at Battersea Park for tests of manoeuvrability and skill in a limited space. Many other events, including steam-driven carousels, Metropolitan Police display, amateur wrestling, music, stalls and vintage taxis. Battersea Park, tomorrow, mid-morning to 5.30pm. Free.

## OUT AND ABOUT

## Aux chevaux! French leave in the Bois de Boulogne



Haughty hooves: Renol's "Riders in the Bois de Boulogne"

It really may be said to vie with the finest English parks, said Prince Albert grudgingly, of the newly laid out Bois de Boulogne, after his visit to Paris in 1855.

After his coup d'état in 1852, Napoleon III had been determined to outshine the British, and planned, along with Baron Georges Haussmann, to convert the French capital into a city of wide boulevards and squares laid out on the British model. The Bois de Boulogne and the Bois de Vincennes would be for recreation.

Napoleon III's project included riding tracks in the new parks, networks of riding alleys for horse-riders. Riding had always been important to the Emperor - at school he had excelled as a superb horse rider, and with his long body and short legs, he apparently looked better on a horse than on a chaise longue.

During a stay in England, he attracted attention when he rode in Hyde Park, he enjoyed riding with the Warwickshire Hunt, and the hospitality of the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort at Badminton.

Riding in the Bois de Boulogne is the Parisian equivalent of riding down Rotten Row. Apart from Napoleon III's use of London's parks as a model, the Anglo-French connexion works the other way too. The probable origin of William III's Rotten Row lies in the French Route du Roi. The Bois was the fashionable place to see and be seen, especially in carriages or on horse back.

The elegant ladies of the Belle Epoque and their escorts have been replaced by track-suited joggers and crowds using the park's boating lakes, tennis courts and smart restaurants. Yet despite the traffic thundering through it, the Bois is surprisingly rural, even wild, in its interior.

A popular venue for suicides and duels

The Société d'Equitation de Paris, the capital's oldest riding club, is situated in the north-west corner of the Bois, and it was from here, after the traditional coup de l'étrier (copious stirrup cups were consumed) that we began our promenade à cheval.

Michel and Ghislain, my escorts, were jokingly described as "Parisian playboys". At least I think it was jokingly. They took advantage of my poor French, and when they suggested un petit galop after I'd just lost my stirrups, it was easier to smile in agreement. At least Grotte, my horse spoke fluent English, I was told.

We set off au pas, riding past the Mare St James, towards the Route du Mahatma Gandhi. After a short distance we turned into our first passage de cavalerie, one of the special bridledways reserved for riders. The ground was soft underfoot, and we soon broke into a trot.

It became more overgrown as we progressed deeper into the woods. The ornamental park areas may have been modelled on Hyde Park, but the dark forest interior is far wilder. Tall fir trees are packed close together, and there are long grasses and stinging nettles.

The more deserted parts of the Bois, with their dense trees and secluded glades, recall that in the Middle Ages this was the Forêt du Rouvre ("roove" is old French for "oak"), notorious for

harbouring bandits and a popular venue for suicides and duels.

Louis XI's barber, Olivier de Dain, eventually pacified the forest, when the king gave him the hunting rights of the Preserve of Rouvray. Louis XI also, who signed the edict giving the name Boulogne to the forest and surrounding parish. Some of the forest's woodcutters had been on a pilgrimage to the shrine of Notre Dame de Boulogne le Petit.

Much of the timber was cut down for firewood during the revolution, and British and Russian troops bivouacked in the Bois after Waterloo burned the oaks, which were later replaced by horse chestnuts and sycamores.

Near the crossroads of the Allée de la Reine-Marguerite and the Carrefour de Longchamp, we came to the entrance to the Château de Bagatelle. The original chateau was built in 1720, set in grounds famous for their flower displays, water lilies and rose garden, and rebuilt 30 years later by the Count of Artois within three months, to win a bet with his sister-in-law, Marie Antoinette. In the nineteenth century it

passed, via the Hertford family, to Sir Richard Wallace. A boulevard in the park is named after him.

We emerged from the dense thickets to a busy main road, with traffic hurtling past the Grande Cascade five abreast. Here I realized Grotte was not the docile animal I'd asked for. As we did our rodeo act in front of the speeding vehicles, I wondered what kind of animal I would have got had I accepted the offer of something "a little livelier".

Next to the manmade waterfall is the Chalet de la Grande Cascade, a gift to Haussmann from Napoleon III. The nearby remnant of the thirteenth century Abbey de Longchamp. The name "long field", comes from the original clearing beside the Seine. It is now the site of the Longchamp racetrack, which is, along with the Auteuil racetrack, the Ascot of Paris.

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sailed. I thought of the horse I had been shown at the stables which had leapt over a Citroen which happened to be in its way.

Here we also encountered our first boules game. Cyclists and dogs I would expect to see in any London park, and I had been warned about the hazards of le jogging, but not boules-playing. It seems the riding alleys are a convenient place for indulging the craze. Best policy is to shout at them, my escorts advised. Motor cyclists trying to do cross country through the forest I decided not to argue with.

The Pré Catelan, which we were now passing, contains a copper beech, said to be 200 years old and to have the broadest branches of any tree in Paris. There is also the Jardin Shakespeare, where all the trees and plants mentioned in the plays are growing. The garden was planted after the war, after a statue of the Bard vanished during the occupation. The presentation in English of one of Shakespeare's plays in the Jardin's open air theatre has become an annual tradition.

The Société d'Equitation dates back to the war years too, when French Resistance officers set up a riding club in the Quartier Latin, as a pretext for exchanging information. Some of the members were arrested by the Gestapo - the only survivor is an honorary president of the club.

The original buildings were pulled down in the 1950s, and the club moved out to the Bois, to buildings formerly used for garages and elephantries belonging to the neighbouring Jardin d'Acclimatation. This children's zoo and amusement park now houses mainly birds, dolphins and monkeys.

Prizes and rosettes hang from every wall in the school

The main emphasis at the school is on instruction. There are three professional instructors, one



REVIEW

# Slinky rhythms from Rio and vile industrial noise

Who said that nostalgia was last year's thing? Judging by the current swing back to the musical values of bebop, beatnik and torch singers who evoke the never-had-it-so-good era, not everyone is welcoming the shock of the new with open arms.

Given the success of contemporary artists like Sade and Tracey Thorn, *The Essential Astrud Gilberto* is bound to be one of the year's *de rigueur* purchases for the "hep groover" and sultry kittens who dictate the pace in clubland. This timely compilation, lovingly chosen and expertly sleeved, represents the epitome of a music which fused the post-bossa rhythms of Stan Getz to the nonchalant, untrained and apparently vulnerable vocal charm of Ms Gilberto.

Music which has stood the test of time

What was good enough for The Beatles and Elvis Presley to flirt with then will certainly find a more lasting relationship with Working Week and Everything But The Girl, who take their inspiration from this sort of music.

The beauty of this music is that it has stood the test of time. It's a Copacabana rule away from the dead muzak of much new pop. Behind the frail almost apologetic phrasing of Astrud lies Getz's assertive tenor saxophone, a palette of subtle brush work, and Joao's latin guitar. The mix appeals as much in the original romances of "O Ganso" as it does in quirky covers of standard material like "Fly Me To The Moon" and "It Might As Well Be Spring".

The news that Astrud Gilberto will play here in the autumn, to a few and no doubt reverential young audience, recalls a recently heard cautionary tale. Apparently Ms Gilberto was not best pleased with the cover shot for the re-released single of "The Girl From Ipanema". "She is blonde! She looks like a common English

**The Essential Astrud Gilberto** (Verve)  
Harold Budd/Brian Eno The Pearl (EGED 37)  
Lizette Mercier Descloux (CBS 25836)  
Test Dept. Beating The Retreat (Some Bizarre Test 2/3)

girl", Astrud snapped. "Everyone knows that the girl from Ipanema is tall and tan and young and lovely." *Touche*.

*The Pearl* is a second collaboration between American pianist Harold Budd and Brian Eno, who may fairly be said to be the ambassador for diverse cultural exchange. *Plaqueux de Mirror* was their first semi-ambient summit meeting. Brian Eno is a rare specimen, a workaholic of taste and originality; his background stretches from the best of Roxy Music period through to David Bowie, Talking Heads, Iggy Pop and U2; we'll forget Ultravox.

But Eno has also carved out a niche with his EG Editions and related pieces (accompanying the likes of Robert Fripp, Roedelius and Jon Hassell). Here with Budd he helps to create a simple, evocative series of spare piano compositions that generally justify their dream-like titles - "Lost In The Hummingbird", "A Stream With Bright Fish", "An Echo of Night". True, the effect is almost cloying in the passive response it commands but the contemplative structures are guaranteed to soothe the savage breast. Eno fans will be pleased to hear that his *Music For Airports 2* is nearly ready for launching.

Lizette Mercier Descloux's first album for Columbia sounds almost indecently exuberant after the cool jazz of Gilberto and the refined textures of Budd/Eno. Ms Descloux is a terribly trendy young Parisian who studied at the Beaux Arts, was in on the New York New Wave and was back in time for the dawn of punk. Her press band out is gushing yet this shouldn't detract from the joyful nature of her music, recorded in Johannesburg with an excellent band of local musicians, ably shaped by English producer Adam Kidron.

Overall, the album is a splendid collision between French chic, or cheek, African highlife and a mess of rhythmic free form that zips from juju to rock to some lovely cajun atmospheres.

A record for those with catholic tastes, perhaps ranging from Clifton Chenier to Mal-

colm McLarey. Ms Descloux's efforts demand a physical response. I'm particularly struck by the dancing onomatopoeia of "Gazelles", a "Wimoweh" for the 1980s. Unfortunately the album is badly packaged, with a minimum of sleeve information and one has the feeling that CBS have no idea of the commercial time-bomb in their own catalogue. Perhaps it will fare better in Europe.

Test Dept.'s boxed set *Beating The Retreat* brings us love. This is an ugly industrial time-bomb in their own catalogue. Perhaps it will fare better in Europe.

In fact the Test Dept. experience is so existential that they can't work properly live or with a visual accompaniment. *Beating The Retreat* is likely to encourage you to turn it off. There isn't much contest between Ipanema and the Isle of Dogs.

Max Bell



# Spontaneity and sheen add up to a perfect Brazilian blend

If Brazilian music really is going to catch on here it may very well begin with Gilberto Gil's "Toda Menina Baiana". Five years old, hidden away as a track on an album titled *Realce*, it has recently been discovered and diffused by zealous disc-jockeys in jazz-funk clubs, prompting WEA to release the song as a single and to re-promote its parent album.

"Toda Menina Baiana" is a summation of practically everything that is good about contemporary Brazilian pop music: all the informal lyricism of bossa nova is present in Gil's friendly voice and in the hooks which stud his delightful tune, but the music is driven by a stronger, more contemporary rhythm - expressed in a flicking acoustic guitar pattern and pattering congas - than that which attracted Stan Getz and Charlie Byrd 20 years ago.

The album is not consistently of the same standard. Recorded in Los Angeles with American session musicians augmenting Gil's regular performers on the *viola* and the *baixa*, it seems to have represented an attempt to capture a world market - just as Jorge Ben, Gil's great contemporary and the composer of "Mas Que Nada", tried to do a few years earlier in London.

**Gilberto Gil** *Realce* (WEA International 91-022)  
Various *That's the Way I Feel Now* (A&M AMLM, 2 records)  
Albert King *Laundromat Blues* (Epic ED 130)

Never less than pleasant, *Realce* does contain some other highlights: the lulling charm of "Loguêde", the acoustic shimmer of "Tradição" and, perhaps most, hesitatingly, the title song, in which Gil and his co-arranger, Jerry Hey, prove that a half-and-half mixture of Malibu and Copacabana - spontaneity and sheen - can be made to work perfectly.

Hal Willner is the man who gave us *Amarcord Nino Rota*, that extraordinary album in which Debbie Harry, Steve Lacy, Carla Bley and others paid tribute to the late Italian film-music composer, a couple of years ago. *That's the Way I Feel Now* is a similar and even more lavish project, in which Willner has invited musicians of various styles to express their affection for the work of the late Theodorakis Monk by recording their own interpretations of his tunes.

Sadly, this time there is no Debbie Harry - but will Joe Jackson, Peter Frampton, Donald Fagen, Todd Rundgren, Dr John, Chris Spedding and the boys from Was (Not Was) do instead? They represent the rock fraternity, lining up with a list of jazz heavyweights including Lacy and Mrs Bley, Gil Evans, Johnny Griffin, Barrie Harris, Ranat Weston, Elvin Jones and Charlie Rouse.

What could have been a respectfully mess turns out to be a marvellously invigorating. Griffin's tenor saxophone feature on Mrs Bley's recasting of "Misterioso" vies with Was (Not Was)'s spooky "Ba-luc. Bolivar-Ba-luc-are" and Jackson's unornamented piano-with-strings "Round Midnight" for the big band prize. Bruce Fowler's all-trombone "Theolunus", Sharon Freeman's all-French horn "Monk's Mood", Shockabilly's abstract impressionist view of "Cris-Cross" and John Zorn's cartoon of "Shuffle Boil" (played mostly with duck-calls) are fascinatingly idiosyncratic views of one man's genius.

Of the less obviously spectacular pieces, mainstream jazz listeners will be delighted by the four appearances of Lacy's soprano saxophone - duets with Gil Evans ("Bemsha Swing"), Charlie Rouse ("Ask Me Now") and Elvin Jones ("Evidence") and a solo exploration of

"Gallop's Gallop", all attesting to the depth of his dedication to the study of Monkology.

Even the least likely items - Spedding and Frampton making a rock guitar feature out of "Work", for example - are illuminated by the spirit of the enterprise, each seeming to catch some aspect of Monk's character. And when Dr John sits at the piano and takes "Blue Monk" for a stroll along the sidewalks of New Orleans, all the project's virtues are summarized.

Albert King's "Crosscut Saw", recorded in 1966 and now reissued as part of a collection of the Mississippi blues guitarist's recordings on the Star label, is so powerful and vivid a performance that almost anything else heard within a day or two runs the risk of seeming lacklustre.

The magic is in the inspired juxtaposition of King's rough-hewn voice and stinging guitar style with the incomparably deft and subtle backing devised by the great Star studio house-band of the mid-1960s - none other than Booker T and the MGs plus the Memphis Horns.

A restless tattoo of snickering rimshots

On "Crosscut Saw", therefore, we have Booker T, Jones interjecting a little Latinesque back-to-front piano phrase during the instrumental interlude. Al Jackson laying down a restless tattoo of snickering rimshots. Steve Cropper adding barely perceptible rhythm guitar scratches and Donald Dunn spacing out a cool bass line; on top of these, at the strategic moment, the trumpet and saxophones of the Memphis Horns punch out their characteristically bruising figures with a close-grained timbre and a collective phrasing so natural that the three men must have been born from the same egg.

The Memphis musicians' enthusiasm for this unusual experience spills all over the grooves of the primeval harsh "Born Under a Bad Sign", the measured "Down Don't Bother Me" and the humorous "Cold Feet"; adapting the techniques which were doing such marvellous service for Sam and Dave, Otis Redding and others, they slipped back a generation to meet King more than halfway, their sophistication suffusing his older art in such a way as to suggest how, given an accident or two, the blues might have developed.

Richard Williams

GALLERIES

# Rose-coloured spectacle of the cream of Danish art

A pigeon's-eye view of the National Gallery would reveal that a new, uncontroverted extension is already in existence. One of the four internal courtyards has been half-filled by the Bernard and Mary Stanley special exhibitions room, named after its benefactors, owners of a building firm.

Inside, the walls are coloured rose pink, an tasteful grey in preparation for the inaugural exhibition, which opens on Wednesday. Here the concept of gallery-within-gallery is repeated: the shows of the cream of Danish painting, listed wholesale from the Statens Museum in Copenhagen.

"Nothing we wanted was refused", says Althair Smith, the exhibition organizer. "We have got the best."

Mr Smith waxes lyrical about Danish painting - virtually unknown outside its homeland - which he first saw in the 1970s. "It was love at first sight. The artists are as good as any working at that time," he says. Mrs Beate Søgaard, his fellow-organizer from the Statens Museum is, however, more diffident. "We're perhaps a

little nervous about the show because it is a trial", she says. "It is the first time in my generation's knowledge that we have had the paintings out to such a great and spoiled public." At home, the Danish public are making do with secondary works from the store.

What is known in Denmark as the golden age of Danish painting took place mainly in the nineteenth century. The works represented in the exhibition date from 1767-1858. Many are of idyllic scenes - a church on the hill, a girl framed between barn doors, windmills and ships seen from afar. There are a large number of portraits, some of which are only about 10in high. Many, with dark, matt backgrounds, reveal skill and clarity of line worthy of Ingres, although the subjects are no bearded, with long, thin, ruddy faces. The pink of the gallery walls is echoed in their complexions and their clothes.

Many of the artists travelled south to study, and the exhibition represents their efforts: Eckersberg at the Villa Borghese, Rørbye at the Acropolis.

They took with them their favourite colours, and so that rosy glow appears again, now translated into the heat of the sky.

In the light of these works, it comes as a surprise that for the Danes the period was extremely troubled. They suffered repeated defeat at the hands of the British (for example in 1801 when Nelson destroyed their fleet at Copenhagen) and were constantly at loggerheads with Sweden. After the Napoleonic war, when the price of corn plummeted, there was great poverty and distress. The scenes the Danish artists were painting were often utopian.

The exhibition is being sponsored by Carlsberg, which is advertising it on beer mats in pubs throughout London. The firm is obviously hoping drinkers will view the prospect of a visit to the National Gallery in a suitably rosy light.

Sarah Jane Checkland

## Openings

**THE AGE OF VERMEER AND DE HOOCH:** Major exhibition of fine seventeenth-century genre paintings which reflect a time of a great artistic production in Holland. Lunchtime lectures and evening concerts have been in association with the exhibition. The Royal Academy, Piccadilly, London W1 (734 9052). Opens Fri. until Nov 18, daily 10am-6pm.

**GETTING LONDON IN PERSPECTIVE:** All about the work of artists long neglected and now being superseded by the computer: the creators of the architectural perspective. More than 200 line drawings, watercolours and computer representations of London from 1702 to 1984 are on show. Barbican Art Gallery, Silk Street, London EC2 (538 4141). Opens Thurs. until Oct 28, Tues-Sat 10am-7pm, Sun noon-6pm.

**HAVE YOU SEEN THE SCULPTURE FROM THE BODY?** Show of work by sculptors who represent the body primarily through the medium of welded and forged steel. Thirteen artists are represented, all associated with St Martin's School of Art, including Gillian Brent, Katherine Gill and Anthony Smart. Tate Gallery, Millbank (821 1313). Opens Mon. until Oct 14, Mon-Sat 10am-6.30pm, Sun 2-5.30pm.

**HENRY MOORE DRAWINGS 1973-1983:** Loan exhibition in conjunction with Henry Moore

## Selected

**FOUNDATION OF MORE THAN 50 WORKS** on paper executed over the last five years. Includes cloud and sheep studies, rock formations and the inevitable quota of humans. Marlborough Fine Art, 8 Albemarle Street, London W1 (629 5161). Opens Wed. until Oct 19, Mon-Fri 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-12.30pm.

**THE PROBLEMS OF PICTURING:** Strange negative title for exhibition of new work chosen by Time Out art critic Sarah Kent. Artists include Lisa Milroy (painter of everyday things like records and gloves), Amakani Toran (who paints haunting grey letter forms) and Nigel Gill (whose works are in Kent's words, "poetic yet political, combining for example a fighter plane with Mother's Pride"). Serpentine Gallery, Kensington Gardens, London W2 (402 6075). Opens today, until Sept 30, daily 10am-6pm.

## Between Ourselves

The ICA, The Mall, London SW1 (930 0433). Until Sept 16, Tues-Sun noon-6pm.

**ROCCOCO** Victoria and Albert (583 6371). Until Sept 30, Mon-Thurs and Sat 10am-5.15pm, Sun 2.30-5.15pm. An inspired exhibition, putting paid to any assumption that rococo equals "oppressively ornate". With a partial reconstruction of the Versailles pleasure gardens as the centrepiece, the paintings, sculpture, porcelain and silverwork on show are as resplendent yet as delicate as Handel's music, which is played in the background.

**CREATION: MODERN ART AND NATURE** Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art, Bedford Road, Edinburgh (031 556 8921). Until mid-Sept, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-5pm. This splendidly ambitious inaugural exhibition for the new Scottish Gallery of Modern Art includes 170 examples of how twentieth-century artists have dealt with the biggest subject of all. Includes the all-embracing abstracts of Barnett Newman which attempt to capture the universal, and the minute characterization of a human being, by Stanley Spencer.

## Photography

**ANSEL ADAMS 1902-1984** Henry Cole Wing, Victoria and Albert Museum, South Kensington, London SW7 (01-583 6371). Until Sept 19, Mon-Thurs 10am-5.30pm, Sat 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.30pm. A short lacuna between major shows at the V&A has allowed Mark Haworth-Booth to pull together a tribute to Adams from the museum's collection. Adams, who died recently, was one of the finest landscape photographers of the century. His work chronicles the grand, yet at times, sombre, beauty of the American terrain in a way that will not easily be surpassed.

**NEW PERSPECTIVES ON THE NUDE** Open Eye Gallery, 90-92 Whitechapel, Liverpool (051-709 9480). Until Sept 22, Mon-Sat 10am-5.30pm. An exhibition made up mainly of contemporary work which seeks to explore photography of the human body in a way that is freed from traditional forms.

**ROBERT DOLNEAU/AUGUST SANDER** Cambridge Darkroom, Dales Brewery, Gwydd Street, Cambridge (0223 325753). Until Sept 16, Tues-Sun noon-6pm. Dolneau and Sander have pursued similar objectives - one through the heart, the other through the mind. Dolneau's scenes of street life in Paris have a passionate, compulsive quality while Sander's portfolio of German people is altogether more rigorous, scientific and dispassionate.

**ALFRED STIEGLITZ** Stills Gallery, 105 High Street, Edinburgh (031 557 1140). Until Sept 15, Tues-Sat 12.30-6pm. Retrospective of work by Stieglitz (1864-1946) which dwells on his pictures of New York at the turn of the century.

**ALFRED EISENSTAEDT** English Speaking Union, 22 Athol Crescent, Edinburgh (031 223 1528). Ends today, 10am-5pm. "Aberdeen: Port of a City" is a reportage on the city by Eisenstaedt, who worked there for two weeks in 1983 at the age of 86. Remarkable images from a man who has devoted his life to photography.

**SNAP, RAZZLE AND POP** Upper Gallery, ICA, The Mall, London SW1 (930 0433). Until Sept 16, Tues-Sun, noon-6pm. A comprehensive show covering the world of pop and its attendant culture from 1955 to 1983. Harry Hammond was snapping Bill Haley in the 1950s in a straightforward, no-nonsense way while today's images are altogether more sophisticated, such as Brian Griffin's creations for various record covers.

**MANUEL ALVAREZ BRAVO** Museum of Modern Art, 30 Pembroke Street, Oxford (0865 722733). Until Sept 30, Tues-Sat 10am-6pm, Sun 2-5pm. Gentle and deeply exploratory pictures by little-known Mexican



Grand vision: American photographer Ansel Adams. Brings to his native land. Landscape, buildings, people and objects are often used as symbols in a dissertation on mankind's fate.

**BLACK AND WHITE MEMORIES** National Museum of Photography, Prince's View, Bradford, West Yorkshire (0274 732277). Until Sept 23, Tues-Sat noon-8pm, Sun 2.30-6pm. Portraits and fashion photography from 1948 to 1989 by David Bailey, whose name is now synonymous with the swinging sixties. Bailey's work has always possessed a natural flair for innovation and his fashion photographs, from either on the streets of New York or the studio, are inhabited by models who seem to be real people. His portraits of the rich and famous, although aggressively selected, never fail to demand attention.

**BRITAIN IN 1984** National Museum of Photography. Details as above. Various aspects of life in Britain photographed by Don McCullin, Ian Berry, Raghubir Singh, John Davies and Paul Graham. The most interesting pictures are from McCullin's series on the run-down area of Spitalfields in London. He spent weeks patiently gaining the trust of the down-and-outs whom he photographed with great humility and understanding.

**LIVES OF THE SAINTS** Chapter Arts, Market Road, Canton, Cardiff (0222 396061). Ends today, noon-4pm. Sensitive documentary photographs by Rory Coonan and Stuart Mackay of the island of St Helena in the south Atlantic, whose isolation has produced a distinctive and individual culture.

Michael Young



Body complexion from a golden age: Left to right: Portrait of Elise Kobbek by Constantin Hansen; C. W. Eckersberg's Bella and Hanna Nathanson; and Hansen's Portrait of a Lady







TELEVISION

# Why reminder of a crushed rebellion

The Russian tanks that rolled into Prague in August 1968 not only signalled the end of Czechoslovakia's bid for political freedom but cut off in its prime a remarkable flowering of the Czech cinema.

Among the several "new waves" of the 1960s - the French cinema had one and so, in a way, did the British - the Czech was the least expected and, coming after years of cultural conformity, the most refreshing.

Not that the typical products were necessarily critical of the communist regime. Rather, they tended to bypass politics and concentrate on the more durable theme of human relationships, observed with a keen, mildly satirical eye.

The young film-makers who emerged during this period included Milos Forman, who made *A Woman in Love* and *A Woman's Reflection*, and Jiri Menzel, whose first full feature, *Closely Observed Trains*, won the 1976 Oscar for best foreign language film.

The Russian invasion, which led to tighter censorship, effectively imposed the choice of exile or inactivity. Forman established a new career in the United States with *Taking Off* and *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*. Menzel went with him, eventually making the excellent *Amour d'été*.

Jiri Menzel was one of those who stayed. Born in 1938, he had been a graduate of the Czech Film School and assistant to one of the new-wave pioneers, Vera Chytilova. *Closely Observed Trains*, which charted the experiences of a young railway worker at a country station during the Second World War, was followed by an arguably even better film, *A Precious Summer*.

That was virtually the last the West heard of Menzel for more

## Films on TV

than a decade. His 1969 picture *Larks on a String* was banned by the authorities and it was several years before he worked in the cinema again. By the time his 1980 film *Cutting It Short* was shown at the London Film Festival, Menzel was merely a name in the history books.

Though well received, *Cutting It Short* was surprisingly not given a cinema release here, and tonight's showing on BBC2 (9.25-11pm) is not only a television first but, for all except the few hundred who saw it at the National Film Theatre, the film's British premiere.

Written by Bohumil Hrabal (who also scripted *Closely Observed Trains*), *Cutting It Short* sees Menzel happily back in the game, he explained as he arrived before 1968: the comedy of human foibles.

Set in a small Czech town in the 1920s, the film revolves around Marja, a glamorous and sensual blonde married to the manager of the local brewery. He is dutiful but dull and when his boisterous brother comes to stay with them, Marja discovers a kindred spirit.

They embark on a series of mad adventures, which come abruptly to an end when Marja breaks her ankle. As she recovers she gets caught up in the sudden craze for shortening things - moustaches, skirts, table legs - and her waist-length hair gives way to a neat bob.

*Cutting It Short* is a film about rebellion and reconciliation, Chklovian in its wit, affectionate dissection of mood and character. It is a reminder of how much was lost in the Czech cinema when the Russians decided that enough was enough.

Peter Waymark



Head held high: The general (George C. Scott) salutes his men in Patton - Lust for Glory (BBC1, tonight)

**Also recommended**

**Patton - Lust for Glory (1969):** Starring George C. Scott, this stirring biopic of the controversial Second World War general, with excellent battle sequences and a masterly performance from George C. Scott, which won him an Oscar, he refused to accept (BBC1, today, 8.55-11.40pm).

**Rio Grande (1960):** John Wayne and Maureen O'Hara lead the John Ford cavalry Western set on the Mexican border in the 1850s: typical Fordian mix of knockabout and sentimentality (BBC1, tomorrow, 2.15-4pm).

**The Best Man (1984):** Henry Fonda and Cliff Robertson as rivals for the Presidential nomination in one of the best films about American politics, adapted by Gore Vidal from his Broadway play and directed by Franklin (Patton) Schaffner (Channel 4, tomorrow, 10.15pm-12.05am).

**First British television screening**

**The Assassination of Trotsky (1972):** The tribute to Richard Burton continues with one of his more unlikely roles, as the Russian revolutionary meeting a violent end in Mexico: directed by another recently departed figure, Joseph Losey (BBC2, tomorrow, 10.25pm-12.05am).

**I Live in Grosvenor Square (1945):** First in a season of Anna Neagle movies, anticipating the celebration of her eightieth birthday in October: it has Neagle involved in a romantic triangle with Rex Harrison and American Air Force sergeant Dean Jagger (BBC2, Mon, 6-7.50pm).

**Billy Liar (1963):** Splendid comic performance by Tom Courtenay as the North Country underdog who presents a half-hour programme, from Mon to Fri, followed by regional news magazines (BBC1, 6-6.30pm).

## Programme choice

**THE LATE, LATE BREAKFAST SHOW:** Returns for a new series under the genial guidance of Noel Edmonds. This edition is all about trying to break records for crossing the English Channel, whether by hovercraft, lorry, wetsuit, kayak or speedboat; and to mark the seventy-fifth anniversary of the first flight across the Channel, an aerobatics team will make the trip upside down. BBC1, today, 5.50-6.40pm.

**JULIET BRAVOC:** Anna Cartaret as Inspector Kate Longton, back on duty at Harby police station in the well established successor to *Diagnosis of a Doctor*. In this one she is trying to find out who killed a 21-year-old girl on her way to work along a deserted footpath. BBC1, today, 7.10-8pm.

**J. B. PRIESTLEY:** Two programmes this weekend, remember the astonishingly prolific man of English letters who died last month at the age of 88. *Priestley* is introduced by Robert Robinson and includes contributions from Angus Wilson, Malcolm Muggeridge, Michael Foot, Beryl Bainbridge and Priestley's widow, Jacquetta Hawkes (BBC1, today, 8-8.55pm; while *Time and the Priestleys* features an interview between the writer and his son, Tom (all TV regions, tomorrow, 10.15-11.15pm).

**MASTER OF THE GAME:** The BBC should do its ratings a bit of good with this eight-hour adaptation of Sidney Sheldon's best-selling family saga based on the South African diamond industry. Dean Cain, ageing from 18-80, heads the cast. BBC1, tomorrow, 7.15-9.30pm; Mon 8.05-9pm, 9.25-10.45pm; final part on Sept 9.

**THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS:** A chance to catch the performance of Sir Edward Elgar's great choral work which opened the 1984 Three Choirs Festival in Worcester Cathedral. With Janet Baker, Stuart Burrows, Benjamin Luxon and the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra. BBC 2, tomorrow, 7.15-9.15pm; also on Radio 3 in stereo.

**THE SIX O'CLOCK NEWS:** Attempt to fill the BBC's early evening news slot, created by the premature demise of *Six Minutes*. Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell present a half-hour programme, from Mon to Fri, followed by regional news magazines. BBC 1, 6-6.30pm.



Smile please: Ronnie Barker and friends in a new comedy series, The Magnificent Evans (BBC1, Thurs)

**LIBERATION:** The story of the liberation of Brussels from the Germans 40 years ago. It is told by people who witnessed the events and, even more graphically, with black and white film shot by Belgian home movie makers; much of the footage is being shown in public for the first time. BBC 2, Mon, 8.15-9pm.

**JANE IN THE DESERT:** New series of adventures featuring the comic strip heroine, once more shedding her clothes to help the Allied war effort. As before, it is an ingenious mix of live actors and animation, with Glynn Barber as Jane and Max Wall as Tombs. Five episodes, starting on BBC 2 on Mon, 9-9.10pm.

**THE LENNY HENRY SHOW:** The engaging and talented black comedian from *Three of a Kind* gets his own programme, in which he moves away from 10-second

recalled by surviving members in eight programmes, which use rare archive film and many unpublished photographs. BBC1, Tues, 9.25-10.20pm.

**HOW THE MYTH WAS MADE:** It is 50 years since the distinguished documentary film maker, Robert Flaherty, produced *Man of Aran*, an account of life on the Isle of Aran off the west coast of Ireland. George Stoney revisited the locations for Flaherty's film and talked to some of the people who appeared in it. BBC2, Tues, 9.40-10.35pm.

**THE RISE AND FALL OF KING COTTON:** In India cotton has been spun and woven for thousands of years in the United States a slave society was created to produce it; in Britain it helped to foster the industrial revolution. The world-wide story of this influential crop is told in six films by Anthony Burton. BBC2, Wed, 7.15-7.45pm.

**MINDER:** A welcome return for one of the most pungently written and best acted series on television, with George Cole as the indestructible con-man, Arthur Daley, and Dennis Waterman his put-upon sidekick, Terry McCann. In the opening programme, *Goodbye Sailor*, Arthur is implicated in the theft of 1,500 pairs of expensive sports shoes. All TV regions, Wed, 9-10pm.

**GLORIANA:** Benjamin Britten's dramatic opera, originally written to celebrate the Coronation in 1953, launches a new arts season on Channel 4. This is the acclaimed production by the English National Opera, introduced by its "stage" director, Lord Harewood. The part of Queen Elizabeth I is sung by Sarah Walker and Anthony Rolfe Johnson is the Earl of Essex. Channel 4, Wed, 9.15pm-12.10am.

**THE MAGNIFICENT EVANS:** New comedy series by Roy Clarke (*Last of the Summer Wine*, *Open All Hours*) set in a small Welsh village and starring a cast of local characters: what terrible secret is he trying to hide? H. G. Wells's classic of science fiction adapted in six parts by James Andrew Hall, with Pip Donaghy in the title role. BBC1, Tues, 8-8.30pm.

**SOE - SETTING EUROPE ALAZE:** Formed in 1940 and disbanded six years later, the Special Operations Executive was a secret fighting service which promoted sabotage, subversion and guerrilla warfare in enemy-occupied countries. Its exploits are

## CONCERTS

**SACRED AND PROFANE**  
Tonight, 11am, Queen's Hall, South Clerk Street, Edinburgh (031-225 5758).  
Debussy's *Jeux* and *Jeux de Dances* begins this concert by the Jan Latham-Koenig Ensemble, conducted by Jan Latham-Koenig. Later come Misses' *Paties Symphonies*, and works by Jonathan Harvey, Rupert Nicholls and David Baldwin. In the evening, at 8pm in the Usher Hall, the Edinburgh Festival Chorus and soloists under Sir Charles Mackerras perform *A Mass of Life* performed by the Scottish National Orchestra, Edinburgh Festival Chorus and soloists under Sir Charles Mackerras.

**SCHUBERT, BEETHOVEN**  
Today, 7.30pm, Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London SW7 (589 8212, credit cards 589 9465).  
Gunter Wand conducts the BBC Symphony Orchestra in Schubert's *Symphony No 5* and Beethoven's *Symphony No 3*, "Eroica".

**RUGGIERO RICCI**  
Today, 7.30pm, The Maltings, Snape, Suffolk (072 885 3543).  
The great violinist Ruggiero Ricci opens Snape's autumn celebrity series with sonatas by Bach, Beethoven, Debussy, Vivaldi, and Mozart's remarkable transcription of Liszt's *Mezzogiorno Waltz* No 1.

**ALICIA DE LARROCHA**  
Today, 7.30pm, Wigmore Hall, 36 Wigmore Street, London W1 (835 2147).  
Alicia de Larrocha kicks off the Wigmore Hall's 1984-85 season with what should be a memorable piano recital: Granados's *Escenas Romances*, Falla's *Fantasia Bascica*, Schumann's *Fantasia Op 12*.

**ITALIAN STRAW HAT**  
Tomorrow, 7.30pm, Queen Elizabeth Hall, Belvedere Road, South Bank, London SE1 (828 3191, credit cards 828 8800).  
This programme of the Musica Avant Garde series begins with Suorana giving the London premiere of Duvall's *Yoyi Na*. They follow it with the world premiere of Hogg's *John Barlow*, Smyth's



Famous four (Clockwise from top left): composers Peter Maxwell Davies and Ralph Vaughan Williams; violinist Ruggiero Ricci and film director René Clair

**Irish Folk and, perhaps the most exciting of all, a new piece, as yet unnamed, by Simon Waters.**

**SEA SYMPHONY, WHALE**  
Mon, 7.30pm, Royal Albert Hall. Conducted by Richard Hickox, the London Symphony Orchestra, Woburn Singers and soloists perform Vaughan Williams's *Sea Symphony* (No 1) and John Tavener's *The Whale*, large canvases both.

**POPULAR CLASSICS**  
Mon, 8pm, Barbican Centre, Silk Street, London EC2 (628 8795, credit cards 628 8891).  
The Royal Philharmonic Orchestra fields a set of very familiar names: Smetana's *Bartered Bride* (Overture, Bizet's *Carmen Suite*, Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto (soloist, Leif Stenshagen) and *Capriccio Italian*, Liszt's *Scherzo* (Philip Carr, piano), and even Ravel's *Bolero*.

**ISLE OF THE DEAD**  
Tues, 7.30pm, Royal Albert Hall. The melodious, artfully varied, gloom of Rachmaninov's *Isle of the Dead* should form a curious prelude to Thea Musgrave's *Clarin Concerto* (Michael Collins,

## ROCK & JAZZ

**MARIA MULDAUR**  
Tonight and Mon to Sat, Ronnie Scott's Club, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (438 0747).  
Still best remembered for the "schmaltzy" midnight at the Oasis" a decade back, but her new album *Sweet and Slow*, on the Spitfire label - artfully divides itself between barrel-house blues, with a rhythm section led by Mac Rebennack and sassy ballads delicately manipulated by a team under Kenny Barron. For her season on Frith Street, Miss Muldaur imports a crew including the former Eagle Bernie Leadon and the steel guitarist Al Perkins, choice of Steve Niles's *Manassas* and the later Flying Burrito Brothers.

**JETHRO TULL**  
Tonight, Glasgow Apollo (041 332 9221); tomorrow, Newcastle City Hall (0632 20007); Mon/Tues, Manchester Apollo (061 273 1112); Thurs, NEC, Birmingham (021 780 2015); Fri to Sat, Hammersmith, London W6 (748 4081).  
Just what the pop scene has been missing in these drab days of peroxide 14-shirt grime, *Smash Hits* and coloured cocktails: a one-legged blues player with an abandoned bird's nest on his head. Ian Anderson, for it is he, returns to revive the gold-record days of *Aqualung* and *Passion Play* in the company of his old comrades Martin Shaw (guitar) and Dave Pegg (bass).

**QUEEN**  
Tonight/tomorrow, NEC, Birmingham (021 780 2015); Tues/Wed and Fri/Sat, Wembley.

**CLARK SISTERS**  
Tonight, Dominion Theatre, Tottenham Court Road, London W1 (580 8562).  
The huge upsurge of interest in black American gospel music has brought this duo, reputed to be among the best of current performers, across the Atlantic. The London Community Gospel Choir also appear.

**IMPROVISED MUSIC FESTIVAL**  
Tonight/tomorrow, Purcell Room, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3191).  
Messages from the post-jazz frontier continue tonight with the group Contradiction (including the singer Maggie Nichols and the reedsman Lindsay Cooper) and the solo pianist Maryvyn Afrika. Tomorrow afternoon (2.45pm) Trevor Watts, the marvellously expressive saxophonist, plays duets with the pianist Verran Weston. Alan Tomlinson performs his slapstick trombone solos and the group British Summertime Ends appear. Tomorrow night (7pm) there is a summit meeting between Evan Parker, Barry Guy, Eddie Prevost and Keith Rowe - the sort of line-up associated with the legendary Little Theatre Club in the early days of the British free improvisation movement.

**RALPH McTELL**  
Tonight, Poole Arts Centre (0262 685222); tomorrow, Athenaeum Theatre, Plymouth (0752 265079); New, Glastonbury (073 794545); Tues, Brewhouse Theatre, Taunton (823 83244); Wed, Gloucester Leisure Centre (0452 36788); Thurs, Johnaon Hall, Yeovil (935 22844); Fri, Orchard Theatre, Dorchester (0252 77331).  
The likable "Streets of London" man takes to the beaches.

**BASS CLEF**  
From tonight, 35 Coronet Street, Hoxton Square, London N1 (729 2476).  
Peter Ind - bassist, recording engineer, former student and partner of the late Louie Tristano - deserves every success for the jazz club which he is opening tonight in the premises which also house his Wave Studio. Perhaps it is a good omen that the inaugural sounds will be played by the quintet of Ronnie Scott. A list of future programming can be gained from these selections from the first week: tomorrow night, the saxophonists Bobby Wellins and Stan Robinson with the Mike Carr Trio; Wed, the excellent Terry Jenkins Trio; Thurs, the Chase Burchell Quintet; and Fri, the London School of Samba.

**DR JOHN**  
Tomorrow, Clapham Common Bandstand, London SW4 (Inquiries: 622 6855 ext 361).  
Lambeth Council does its bit for the blues with a free open-air concert from 2-6pm featuring the great New Orleans pianist Mac Rebennack, also known as Dr John, and his British accompanists, Diz and the Doomen.

**TOMMY SMITH**  
Mon, 100 Club, 100 Oxford Street, London W1 (636 0933).  
The precocious Scottish saxophonist is still in his teens and studying at Berklee College in the United States, turns up with Bill Kyle, a veteran Scottish drummer, and three young musicians from New York.

**MUSIC FOR THE MINERS**  
Mon to Fri, Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (928 3191).  
London Wainwright III, Alexei Sayle and Rik Mayall open this short benefit season on Mon. The folkies - Dave Swarbrick, Bert Jansch and Lindisfarne's Alan Hull - take over on Tues, followed by reggae - Misty in Roots and others - on Wed. On Thurs come Van Morrison, Christy Moore (late of Planxty and Moving Hearts) and guests. Sayle and Mayall return for Fri's gala, accompanied by none other than Wham, Style Council's Paul Weller and Mick Talbot, and Nigel "Neil" Planer.

**SISTER SLEDGE**  
Wed, Oxford Apollo (0865 243041); Fri, Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham (0602 472328).  
The only current rivals to the Pointer Sisters' pop-soul supremacy, with a reissue of the glorious "Lost in Music" back in the charts.

**NICO/JOHN COOPER CLARKE**  
Thurs, Dingwells, Camden Lock, London NW1 (257 4967).  
For collectors of bizarrely mismatched bills, here is a minor classic.



Varied talents: Ralph McTell, going on tour, Alexei Sayle, joking for the miners, and Maria Muldaur, pouring her heart out

## OPERA



Tried and tested: Della Jones sings Rosina in the English National Opera's Barber of Seville

# Something old, something new

While in general the English National Opera's current season is very much one of new productions, this week sees a couple of notable revivals. On Thursday *The Barber of Seville* comes back to town. It is a revival which has stood the test of time well enough when lifted by the panache of individual performances. This time, Alan Opie repeats his *Figaro*, John Brecknock is the Count Almaviva, Della Jones is Rosina, and Wyn Davies conducts.

The other revival this week is David Pountney's 1982 *Flying Dutchman* (tonight, Tues and Fri), with a pre-performance talk on Fri at 6pm in the Friends Meeting House, just 100 yards away from the Coliseum. Neil Howlett, highly praised by Paul Griffiths on the Arts Page this week, takes the title role for the first time opposite Josephine Barstov's Senta.

The central revolve for the *Dutchman* is, economically,

being used for a new production: *Osud*, Janáček's psychological thriller which is being staged for the first time in Britain, also by David Pountney. A short, dense work, it will be presented with the Weill/Brecht *Mahagonny Songs*. The double bill opens on Sept 8 with further performances on Sept 11, 13, 21, 25 and 29.

For the forthcoming new production of *Madam Butterfly*, ENO have decided to review Puccini in a new light and dispense with their old staging. John Maczner, who gave *Madam Butterfly* a fine *Barter* with the Royal Opera, returns to the Coliseum to conduct until October 20. The run starts on September 27.

Before the return of *Rusalka* and *Così fan tutte* in November, there are further chances to see Massenet's *Manon* between October 6 and November 2. John Copley's picturesque production returns to the repertory with Canadian Frances Giner

making her English debut in the title role and with Anthony Rolfe Johnson as Des Grieux - his first time in the part. More unexpected opportunities, too, to see *Arabella* and *Parience*: they are being scheduled in place of the proposed new production of *Orpheus in the Underworld*, now postponed to give more time for preparation.

All these performances start at 7.30pm at the Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (836 3161), and there are pre-performance talks for both *Osud* (Sept 21) and *Butterfly* (Oct 4). Further information on these and other operas in the 1984-5 repertory, together with a valuable compendium of new libretto translations and introductions to the operas, are to be found in *The ENO Season Book*, £3 (+50p p & p) from The Coliseum Shop, 31 St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (240 0270).

Hilary Finch

## DANCE

**ROYAL OPERA HOUSE**  
Covent Garden, London WC1 (240 1066) Tonight, Tues and Fri at 7.30pm.  
Andrei Serban's new production of *Turandot* opens tonight with Gwyneth Jones in the title role for this week only. (Shena Dimitrova takes over from Sept 11. Colin Davis conducts tonight and on Tues (John Barker on Fri) and Plácido Domingo is the Calaf (Ernesto Veronelli on Fri).

**SCOTTISH OPERA**  
Theatre Royal, Glasgow (041-3322 3321) Wed at 7.15pm and Sept 8 at 2.15pm.  
Scottish Opera return to Glasgow to start their new season with *Fidelio*.

**WELSH NATIONAL OPERA**  
New Theatre, John Street, Cardiff. (0222 489977).  
The season in Wales begins with two nicely contrasted productions: the restlessly merry *Mary Widow* in which Busby Berkeley tries to join hands with Lehar (Thurs, 7.15pm); and *Miriam's Greek Passion* (Sept 8).

**DORSET OPERA**  
Sherborne School Hall, Sherborne, Dorset (0835 612914) Tonight and tomorrow at 7pm.  
Dorset Opera celebrates its tenth anniversary with a strong production of Verdi's *Don Carlos*.

**SADLER'S WELLS ROYAL BALLET**  
Cambridge, The Big Top on Jesus Green. Advance booking at the Central Library, Lion Yard (0223 357851). Opens Mon, until Sept 22. Mon-Sat at 7.30pm, matinees Wed and Sat at 2.30pm.  
The new season opens in the circus-tent Big Top, celebrating its tenth year of ballet seasons. *Swan Lake* comes first, danced by Marion Tait (Mon), Galina Samsova (Thurs and Tues), Margaret Barblin (Wed matinee) and Sheryl Kennedy (Wed eve). Fri brings *Petrushka* with David Bintley in the title part. Jennifer Jackson's *Common Ground* and Kenneth Macmillan's *Ekta Synopations*.

**RAMBERT WORKSHOPS**  
The Place, 17 Duke's Road, London WC1 (387 0031). Opens Mon at 8pm, until Sept 8.  
Seven dancers of Ballet Rambert have made their own works for presentation in this short season, to be performed by themselves and their colleagues. Expect apparent standards - but hope for the first glimpse of new talent.

Concerts: Max Harrison; Rock & Jazz: Richard Williams; Dance: John Percival



## THE WEEK

## Radio

**ERDI COMPLETE:** For the first time Radio 3 is broadcasting all 26 years of Verdi. They are being shown in chronological order, every Saturday afternoon through the autumn and winter. The most popular come up over the Christmas period - *Rigoletto* (Dec 3), *La Traviata* (Dec 20) and *Il Trovatore* (Dec 22) - and there will be a one, a reshaped version of *I Lombardi* called *Jerusalem*, which has not been heard in Britain before. The series opens with a new BBC recording of the earliest opera, *Oberto*, Radio 3, today, 2.40-3pm.

**ARDY'S WESSEX:** The first of three radio journeys through the countryside which so inspired Thomas Hardy. The series was recorded entirely on location, in Wessex, and tries to capture the landscape and life of Wessex. Nigel Stock plays Hardy and the programmes are introduced by Desmond Hawkins. Radio 4, tomorrow, 10.15-11pm; repeated Fri 11am.

**UNDER MILK WOOD:** A repeat of Douglas Cleverdon's famous 1963 production of Dylan Thomas's play or voices, in tribute to the late Richard Burton who narrated. The cast includes Hugh Griffith and Jeremy Jones. Radio 4, Mon, 7.50-9.35pm.



Mettle machines: Jaguar D type at Brighton speed trials in 1954 - see them racing at Donington Park today; and the Firecracker, one of many aircraft on display at Farnborough (see Other events)

**THE MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF MABEL GREENWOOD:** An investigation by Roger Worsley into a celebrated Welsh murder that took place in 1919. Mabel Greenwood, a solicitor's wife from Kidwelly, died suddenly and when her body was exhumed after nine months of village gossip it was found to contain traces of arsenic. Her husband was charged with murder but eventually cleared. Worsley reconstructs the case and puts forward a new theory about how Mabel died. Radio 4, Wed, 4.02-4.40pm.

**BRIERS ON HANCOCK:** Richard Briers leads a tribute to Tony

Hancock, who would have been 60 this year. Briers traces the comedian's early career, the years of success on radio and television and the lonely suicide in June 1968. Radio 4, Wed, 6.30-7pm.

## Auctions

**NOCTURNAL ON WHEELS:** Transport freaks plan an away-day at Phillips. Vintage Horby is the cream of a huge collection of model railways. Traction engine models are in the £1,000-22,000 class. Newest collector find is old railway tickets, and an early platform ticket is estimated at £200. There are Dinky Toy cars and planes, triplane liners and U-boats - even a Carr's biscuit tin of 1920 (£250) comes bus-chaper. Phillips, Blenheim Street, London W1 (E20 6E2). Viewing Tue 9am-5pm, Wed 9-11am. Sale Wed 11am.

**STAR SIGNS:** Signed photographs of Laurel and Hardy (£50-£70) and Marlene Dietrich (£30-£50) are among the choice items in a sale of printed ephemera that also includes autographed postcards and photographs of Bette Davis, Gary Cooper and Ingrid Bergman; cigarette cards; Donald McGill comic postcards; posters; and playbills. Christie's South Kensington, 85 Old Brompton Road, London SW7 (S81 2ZT). Viewing Thurs 9am-4.30pm, Fri 9am-noon. Sale Fri 2pm.

## Festivals

**SALISBURY FESTIVAL:** The city's magnificent Gothic cathedral is the setting for several highlights of this well-established festival. John Williams and other musicians give a concert there on Mon (7.30pm). On Wed, the building is candlelit for a concert of works by Albinoni, Handel, Bach and Vivaldi, played by the Academy of St Martin-in-the-Fields, soloists Iona Brown and Michael Laird (8.15pm). Meanwhile, Salisbury Playhouse presents Peter Shaffer's *Amadeus* and Theresa Ford's *Whom the Gods Love*. In the Arts Centre, festivities range from a Punch and Judy show (tomorrow, 11am), to an English Tea Dance (Sat 8.30pm). But the best outdoor family event is held tomorrow, at Longford Castle (8.15pm), when a concert of military music ends with a Royal Fireworks Spectacular. Festival Box Office, Salisbury Playhouse, Malthouse Lane, Salisbury, Wiltshire (W22 2Y7). Today until Sept 15.

**COVENT GARDEN MUSIC FESTIVAL:** A week of lunchtime and evening music, some classical and some improvised, played in the portico of St Paul's Church. It opens tomorrow with a premiere; *The Song of Many Tongues*, composed by Tony Haynes, a cycle of songs inspired by the various communities of London (2.30-4pm). On weekdays from 1-2pm, there is music from British Summertime

Ends, an improvisation band, on Mon by Gerard on Tues and P. D. Surwell and Richard Wilson on Wed, who perform *Chronozon*, created especially for Covent Garden Piazza; London Brass Academy play on Thurs; The Endymion Ensemble on Fri and The Pearl Singers on Sat. Performances free. Further information from Alternative Arts, 1-4 King Street, London WC2 (240 5451). Tomorrow until Sept 8.

**MANCHESTER FESTIVAL:** The Halle Orchestra, Glen Laine, John Darkworth and Gerald Scarle contribute to a fortnight of culture and entertainment in the city centre. Festivities open on Fri evening with a choice of an Frl evening, a play, ballet and jazz from Mike Westbrook Brass Band. At the weekends there are the City Centre Fun Day (Sat 8.30) and Castleside Carnival (Sat 15 and 16). Festival Box Office, The Free Trade Hall, Peter Street, Manchester (M2 6BA). Friday until September 22.

## Sport

**NATWEST BANK TROPHY:** Middlesex meet Kent in the final of cricket's first competition at Lord's, Middlesex, led by Mike Gatting, have the stronger side on paper but Chris Tavare's Kent offer a useful mix of emerging younger players like Richard Ellison and

## Other events

**ENGLISH VINEYARD WINE FESTIVAL:** The annual celebration of home-produced wine, with more than 60 examples available for

tasting. There is traditional English food and a grape-treading competition. English Wine Centre, Drusilla's Corner, Ayrton, East Sussex (0323 670532). Today and tomorrow, noon-6pm.

**CLASSIC CAR WEEKEND:** A two-day celebration of famous marques organized by the Jaguar Drivers' Club. This afternoon C and D type Jaguars will be lining up for the historic car championship race with Maseratis and others, while taking part in the four-hour relay race are teams of Austin Healeys, Ferraris, Jaguars, Morgans, Porsches and Triumph TRs. There are eight races

tomorrow, and a parade of more than 400 Jaguar E types. Donington Park, Castle Donington, Derby (information 0532 455412). Racing starts today at 11.40am and tomorrow at 12.30pm.

**FARNBOROUGH AIR SHOW:** Among the aircraft featured this year are the BAe 146, recently chosen to replace the aging Andover of the Queen's Flight, and the Firecracker, Britain's contender for the RAF basic trainer contract. The latest British airship, the 500, will also be there, plus the usual spectacular flying display, with the Red Arrows. Royal Air Force Establishment, Farnborough, Hampshire (for information telephone 839 3231) Fri-Sun, 9.30am-7pm. There is a preview on BBC2, Thurs, 8.30-9pm.

**STATELY HOME CONCERT:** The Musica Antiqua Cologne plays works by Vivaldi and J. S. Bach in the Long Gallery of Fife Place. The programme includes Vivaldi's *Concerto in G minor* and a sonata in D minor, *La Folia*, and Bach's *Musical Offering*, written for Frederick the Great of Prussia in 1747. Fife Place, Lewes, East Sussex (information 0727 37789). Fri, house opens at 7pm, concert starts at 8pm. Tickets £14.50, including private view of the house, champagne and concert. Buffet supper £11.50, dinner hamper £9.50.

Sight and sound: Salisbury cathedral (see Festivals)

## FILMS

## The funny, peculiar business of remakes

Until recently, Hollywood happily remade epics, melodramas and choice thrillers; comedies, however, it left alone - mindful perhaps of the problems in lifting one decade's gags and comic obsessions into another. Not any more. Next week sees the British release of *Unfaithfully Yours*, previously made by the great Preston Sturges in 1948. Another idiosyncratic 1940s comedy, Lubitsch's *To Be Or Not To Be*, emerged earlier in the year as a Mel Brooks vehicle.

Foreign films are also being pressed into service: *Blame It On Rio*, released a few weeks ago, pinched its plot from a droopy French comedy by Claude Berrit Blake Edwards' *The Man Who Loved Women*, which came and went in London cinemas like an April shower, drew on Truffaut's chavinnist romp of 1977. It is a strange development, for none of the remakes ever seem to hit the box-office jackpot.

Director Howard Zieff remains moderately true to the



Out for revenge: Suspicious husband Dudley Moore

material of *Unfaithfully Yours* - written, produced and directed by Sturges when his meteoric career was just beginning its decline. The original film recounts the adventures of a British conductor, Sir Alfred de Carter (Rex Harrison, smooth as silk), wrongly convinced that his wife (Linda Darnell) is unfaithful. During a concert of Rossini, Wagner and Tchaikovsky, he conceals three plans of action (murder, a duel, and total forgiveness); when he

subsequently tries putting them into practice, everything collapses in slapstick confusion. Zieff and his writers inject more romance, and enlarge the age difference between husband and wife (played now by Dudley Moore and Nastassja Kinski); they also reduce the plans of campaign from three to one. The one chosen is murder. Zieff wanted to remake Sturges' film ever since he began as a feature director with the quirky comedies *Slitner*

(1973) and *Hearts of the West* (1975). At first Peter Sellers was supposed to star. "When Peter was involved", Zieff recalled, "we were going to make the conductor either German or Italian, and we were going to play him slightly larger than life."

Dudley Moore, of course, is slightly smaller than life, though his musical gifts and talent for physical comedy make him a natural replacement. "I literally blew a year of my life waiting to get the film made with Dudley", said Zieff - a year spent, on Moore's part, appearing in some particularly dreadful films (*Six Weeks, Lovelace*).

As for Nastassja Kinski, cast as a young Italian starlet, she came to the role after a heavy, bizarre schedule: she played an American fashion model in *Exposed*, an alluring component of the chic poetic images in Jean-Jacques Beineix's *Moon in the Gutter*, and Clara Wieck in a biography of Schumann, *Spring Symphony*. "I really needed a light movie", she said; although on this evidence she may need several more to develop a proper knack for comedy.

Geoff Brown

*Unfaithfully Yours* (15) opens in London on Fri at the Studio, Oxford Street (437 3300) and Classic, Tottenham Court Road (836 6148).

## Openings

**THE HIT (18):** Playful British thriller from a writer-director team (Peter Prince, Stephen Frears) with excellent television credits. Terence Stamp plays the criminal philosopherically accepting retribution at the hands of John Hurt's hit man. With Tim Roth and Laura del Sol. From Fri at the Classic Haymarket (839 1527).

**SPINAL TAP (18):** Acute American spoof of heavy metal bands, cast in documentary form and centred on the disastrous return to the United States of an ancient British rock group. Rob Reiner directs and also appears as the documentary interviewer. From Fri at the Electric Screen (229 3884), Classic, Oxford Street (636 0310), Classic, Chelsea (552 5888).

**QUENEY'S THE WALL (18):** Yilmaz Guney's former prisoner in Turkey, whose obvious subject for his first film since freedom: the horrifying conditions of prison life - and their particular effect upon children. A fierce, rough work, made in France. From Fri at the ICA Cinema (830 3647) and Phoenix, East Finchley (863 2233).

## Selected

**PARIS, TEXAS (15)** Lumiere (836 0691), Gate Notting Hill (221 0220), Screen on the Hill (435 3386). Few current films contain as much emotional resonance and visual beauty as Wim Wenders' intimate American epic about a man's search for his own identity and family. Wenders' camera revels in bizarre details of landscape, and plays with illusion and reality, but the film's real strength comes from its treatment of human relationships.

**BROADWAY DANNY ROSE (PG)** Screen on the Green (226 3620), Classic Bloomsbury (837 1177/8402), Classic Haymarket (839 1527), Classic Oxford Street (536 0310), Odeon Kensington (502 5644). Woody Allen stars as Danny Rose, a great Broadway manager of failures, comically entangled with Mable (Julie Covington), the zany girlfriend of his number one client, a roly-poly balladeer. Impeccably directed and photographed.

The information in this column was correct at the time of going to press. Late changes are often made and it is advisable to check, using the telephone numbers given.

## Troubles hidden under the Irish jokes

A play about Northern Ireland involving the beating up of an IRA suspect called Michael Patrick de Valera Demon Bomber Roche and containing - in the words of the author - "a lot of laughs" is likely to be a disconcerting experience.

It starts with the premise of a seemingly straightforward brutalization of a suspect in a cell in an English police station by a Royal Ulster Constabulary officer sent to interrogate him, but it turns out to be far from straightforward.

The play, *Rat in the Skull*, the main work in a short Irish season at the Royal Court opening next week, is by Ron Hutchinson, whose work includes the teasing BBC television thriller series *Bird of Prey*. He has also been a resident writer for the Royal Shakespeare Company.

Hutchinson, who has a Protestant background, has written plays about the troubles here, and returns to the theme with apparent reluctance. "I never set out to write a play about Ireland. In a way I have been trying to disengage from the internal debate and would rather not write about it. I worry about what right I, or other people, have to poke a finger in someone else's scar."



Determined doubter: Ron Hutchinson, exploring Irish issues

He says there is a genre of plays and films about Ireland at present, and "I can well understand how aggrieved the Irish become at being a branch of the fiction industry". His play is as much about the English response to Ireland and the crime of indifference as a plea for understanding. "Half of me says that people are rightly indifferent; but the other half says 'Hang on'. It is not enough to be woken to the problem every few months by a

big bang. We have a responsibility to nudge around the problem."

*Rat in the Skull* aims to give the opportunity for a new voice to be heard - that of the RUC man whom we normally see behind a riot shield. He speaks in this play, voicing his doubts but retaining his determination to maintain his beliefs. In that, he is a metaphor for the whole society, whose different sections keep on believing they are right.

Hutchinson resolutely refuses the notion that his play adds to our understanding, but cautiously hopes that it might point a way forward.

He has been attending rehearsals at the theatre, and rewriting it as the director, Max Stafford-Clark, and the actors get to work. "It is agony, but also fun. I belong to a generation of writers which believes that plays cannot be written otherwise. I do not believe you can get more than 25 per cent of a play right before the director and actors get at it. Plays have to work and if a bit does not work, it has to come out. Anyway it is a treat being involved, if you live a reclusive existence for the rest of the year, and you can have a few beers too."

A companion piece at the Theatre Upstairs is *Up to the Sun and Down to the Centre*, by Peter Cox. It is based on a workshop held during four disturbing weeks with the Bogside and Creggan communities in Derry.

Christopher Warman

*Rat in the Skull*, Royal Court (730 1745). Previews tonight and Mon at 8pm. Opening Tues at 8pm, thereafter Mon-Sat at 8pm, matinees Sat at 4pm.

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## Openings

**FALL:** New play by James Saunders, whose *Bodies* transferred successfully to the West End after a run at this theatre in 1978. Three sisters return home at a time of family crisis; they appear at first sight to have little in common. Julie Covington, Cecily Hobbs and Sylvester La Tourel play the sisters. Robin Lefevre directs. Hampstead Theatre, Swiss Cottage, London NW3 (722 9301). Previews today and Mon-Wed at 8pm. Opens Thurs at 7pm. Then: Mon-Sat at 8pm; matinees Sat at 4.30pm.

**AMERICAN BUFFALO:** Duke of York Theatre, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (836 5122). Until Sept 8 (may be extended). Tues-Sat at 8pm; matinees Sat at 4pm. Already a fringe favourite, David Mamet's powerful American underdog comedy reaches the West End in a fine production dominated by Al Pacino's virtuoso lead performance.

**PASSION PLAY:** Wyndham's (836 3026). Mon-Fri at 8pm, Sat at 5pm and 8.30pm; matinees Wed at 3pm. Witty, sad and dazzlingly intricate, Peter Nichols's award-winning 1981 play about unwilling adultery stars Leslie Phillips, Judy Parfitt, Barry Foster and Zena Walker.

**WILD MONEY:** Lyttelton (528 2252). Today and Tues at 8pm and 7.45pm, Mon and Wed at 7.45pm. In repertory, Chakrav's early comedy emerges as a masterpiece in its own right, thanks to Michael Frayn's imaginative translation and Christopher Morahan's production, with Ian McKellen at its centre.

**CHICHESTER:** Festival Theatre, Odeon Park, Chichester, West Sussex (0243 781312). The Merchant of Venice. Today and Thurs at 2.30pm, Wed and Thurs at 7.30pm. In repertory: *The Way of the World* by William Congreve. Today, Mon, Tues, Fri at 7.30pm. In repertory: *Joan Plowright, Maggie Smith, Michael Jayston*; directed by William Gaskill.

**LEICESTER:** Haymarket, Belgrave Gate (0533 539797). A Day in the Death of Joe Egg by Peter Nichols. Previews on Tues at 7.30pm, opens Wed at 7.30pm. Until Sept 23, Mon-Thurs at 7.30pm, Fri and Sat at 8pm; matinees Sat at 4pm.

**WATFORD:** Palace Theatre, Clarendon Road (0923 25671). Raffles by E. W. Hornung and Eugene Presbury, adapted by Leon Rubin. Opens Thurs at 7.45pm, until Sept 23, Mon-Thurs at 7.45pm, Fri and Sat at 8pm; matinees Sept 22, 23, at 3pm. Simon Caded and Alan Dotie in the original 1901 play, from the popular stories about a "gentleman thief". Leon Rubin directs his own adaptation, the opening production of the theatre's new season.

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## FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

# Thousands of Brooke Bond shares sold

In chess parlance, Tate & Lyle's battle to takeover Brooke Bond is developing into a deeply absorbing middle game. Brooke Bond complained to the City Takeover Panel yesterday that Tate had not made a profit forecast and was therefore depriving Brooke Bond shareholders, who are being offered half the price of the bid in paper, of essential information.

The Takeover Panel swiftly and firmly rebuffed Brooke Bond on the ground that the Code does not require a company to make a profit forecast. Since the complaint had about it the air of a spoiling tactic, Brooke Bond can hardly have been surprised.

Both parties know that the crucial move governing the game is the white knight supposedly coming to rescue Brooke Bond. Tate has said that it does not believe in such a creature and that only persistent rumours are supporting the Brooke Bond share price above the level of the offer. It has demonstrated faith in the argument - for the moment at least - by merely extending the original offer.

Certainly, Tate has little to lose. If Brooke Bond ships in the market Tate will pick up shares more cheaply than if the stakes had been raised; if the price holds steady, there is plenty of time to attack.

Part of Tate's approach has been to stress to institutions that it really believes the extended offer, worth about 103p a share, is fair and that it will not become trapped in an auction with a financially stronger competitor.

Brooke Bond, which hopes that these devices will not keep a lid on the share price, about 110p at the moment. The company is pleased that Thursday's announcement by Tate did not depress the price. But it is far from definite that the present level can be maintained indefinitely without some hard news.

Sir John Cuckney's visit to the United States has yielded nothing publicly, perhaps ending up on the other side of the Atlantic, but whether there is any fresh dealing or whether this is just the pass the parcel game normal to such takeover battles is unclear.

Brooke Bond, moreover, has fired a great deal of ammunition. It may be tempted into a forecast for 1985, but that is unlikely to alter the balance of the argument decisively.

## Tom Clausen faces Reagan backlash

Relations between the Reagan Administration and the World Bank have reached a low ebb, giving rise to persistent speculation that if Mr Reagan is re-elected as President of the United States, Mr A.W. 'Tom' Clausen will not be reappointed as president of the World Bank.

In recent months, the Administration has rebuffed the bank openly for attempting, as Reaganites see it, to carve out a larger role for itself in managing the global debt crisis.

There is widespread speculation that Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the US Federal Reserve Board, will be asked to replace Mr Clausen, former head of the Bank of America, when his first term expires in 1986.

During the debate which precedes Mr Volcker's reappointment in June 1983 to a second four-year term, it was rumoured widely that he had made a secret pact with President Reagan to step down voluntarily early in the second term to pursue other interests.

Increasingly shaky relations between the Bank and the United States are crucial. The US is the largest shareholder, plays a dominant role in its operations, and sees the appointment of its president as something like appointing a viceroy in Victorian England.

Last month and in July, top Reagan Administration officials gave a series of background briefings in which they criticized the Bank for its energy loan policies; its programme of increased, longer term balance-of-payments financing; and Mr Clausen's insistence on naming his own man, rather than one recommended by the Treasury, to head the International Finance Corp.

Mr Clausen chose Britain's Sir William Ryrie for the important post as head of the Bank's affiliate, which invests in private enterprises in developing countries, over a Latin American candidate who had been put forward by the US Treasury.

The tension is expected to provoke a sharp debate over the resources and future role of the institution at the joint annual meeting this month of the Bank and the International Monetary Fund.

In recent weeks, the Treasury has been highly critical of the Bank's increased balance of payments assistance programme which it regards as the traditional role of the IMF. The programme of longer-term balance of payments lending has increased sharply to 28 per cent of the Bank's total loans.

The United States Treasury also warned the bank to reduce its loans for energy projects in Third World countries unless they are matched by similar commitments from private investors.

Mr David Mulford, a Treasury official, said: "Our opinion is that not enough is being done to encourage direct investment in Third World countries."

World Bank officials agree that poor relations with the United States Treasury are their most pressing problem. They fear moves to reduce the Bank's activities by curbing its ability to borrow dollars. Some fear that unless they resist American efforts to dictate policies, the Bank will lose control of its operations. Clausen's head may be their sacrificial offering.

## Signs of renewed confidence at Lloyd's

Things seem to be looking up for Lloyd's hard-pressed marine insurance market. The decision to raise premiums on renewals of ships' hull insurance by at least 10 per cent indicates that underwriters are more confident that the market is past its worst.

Lloyd's marine underwriting market has faced severe problems over the last four or five years. Intense competition and premium cutting ate into the underwriting profits of Lloyd's syndicates and London insurance companies alike. Charging higher premiums to fleets with bad claims records also led to a drain of business to the United States and other overseas markets which were offering lower rates.

But for more than a year greater caution among insurers and insureds has been reversing the trend. Many shipping fleets have begun to have doubts about the security of their new insurers, while the overseas insurance markets themselves have started to be more selective about their business.

The decision by the joint hull committee of the Institute of London Underwriters - including representatives from Lloyd's and more than 100 insurance companies - not only to raise rates but to maintain the differential on fleets with poor claims records, suggests a new confidence in London.

True, the committee's decision is only a guide, but the likelihood of serious undercutting of the new levels is remote. As Mr Dick Outhwaite, chairman of the committee, commented: "underwriters are looking at such bad results they cannot afford to undercut and still make any money". But although this is a start there is still a long way to go to reach realistic premium rates.

## Bid for Lincroft extended

The hard-fought bid by John Finlan, the property and construction company, to take over Lincroft Kilgour was due to close today but has been extended to next Tuesday. The delay is to give the City Takeover Panel time to consider information and claims about the companies made by Lincroft on August 24. Finlan disputes Lincroft's views.

In the meantime, any acceptance of the offer received after 3pm yesterday will be held pending the Panel's decision. An announcement released to the Stock Exchange yesterday, that Lincroft made no mention that the offer had gone unconditionally, the company is not obliged to reveal the total number of acceptances until Monday.

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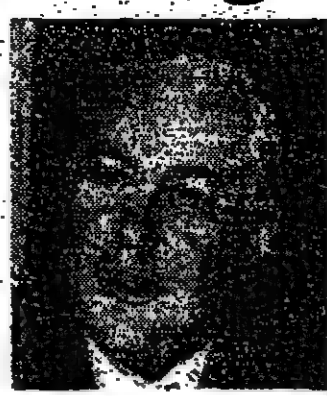
By William Kay City Editor

One of London's principal jobbing firms is holding talks aimed at a direct merger with a firm of stockbrokers. This will be the first time that such a "marriage" has been contemplated. Until now, brokers and jobbers have been paired only through a would-be parent company takeover.

Barclays Bank has already announced that it wants to put together the jobbers Wedd Durlicher Mordant with the stockbroking firms of Mullens & Co and Rowe and Pitman under the umbrella of Mercury Securities.

The latest plan is for a direct jobber-broker merger outside any such umbrella arrangement, although a merchant bank may take a stake in the combined group.

As the merged business would potentially possess the capacity in stock market terms, the Stock Exchange will permit the two firms to go no further



Michael Sandberg: bank set for 29.9 per cent Capel stake

than a statement of intent. Even a minority investment will be resisted.

This new twist in the stock market's preparations for freely negotiated commissions has emerged as another big stockbroker. James Capel, announced that its lengthy talks with Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation whose

chairman is Mr Michael Sandberg, has produced agreement for the bank to take an initial 29.9 per cent, followed by a full takeover when the rules change.

Capel will continue to operate independently, but will form part of Hongkong and Shanghai's growing range of financial services round the world. It has already bought the London accepting house, Antony Gibbs, now renamed Wardley, and has a leasing arm.

Mr Keith Heathcote, Capel's senior partner, said last night: "There have been friendships at board level between the two companies for more than 20 years. The combination will reinforce the momentum of Capel's development."

The shareholding partners will be encouraged to stay after the merger through having the payment for their shares phased over several years.

No price has been published, but as Capel is one of the biggest firms in the market it

could expect to be valued at about £100m.

There are 62 partners, including one of the few women partners, Miss Haruko Fukuda.

The Bank of England confirmed yesterday that the Governor's advisory committee on the regulation of the City has proposed that the City should be supervised by a limited number of self-regulatory agencies, and that there should be an intermediary SRA between them and the Department of Trade and Industry.

The Governor, Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, is expected to include the committee's opinion in his formal advice to Mr Norman Tebbit, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. This in turn will form part of the input to the White Paper which the Government plans to publish in November.

The White Paper will in effect be the Government's considered response to the Gower Report on investor protection, as a prelude to legislation.

## STC backing expected

The £410m takeover bid by Standard Telephone and Cables for ICL, Britain's leading computer manufacturer, is expected to be given clearance next week by Mr Norman Tebbit, the Trade and Industry Secretary.

Mr Peter Shore, the Shadow Trade and Industry Secretary, has called for a full investigation of the deal by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission because of STC's strong connections with ICL of the United States which will retain a 29.9 per cent stake in the group after the merger goes through.

But the Office of Fair Trading is believed to have accepted STC's case that it is now a fully independent British company, and recommended that the merger be allowed to go ahead without a reference.

The Government's decision is expected on Wednesday. STC's offer closes for the first time on Friday. The bid has yet to cross the hurdle of formal negotiation of ICL's collaborative agreement on computer technology with Fujitsu of Japan.

## STOCK EXCHANGES

FT-SE 100 Index: 1103.9 up 2.0 (high: 1104.6; low: 1100.2)  
FT Index: 853.7 up 1.2  
FT Gilt: 79.75 unchanged  
FT All Share: 320.47 up 1.65  
Singapore: 19.345  
Dunlop: USM Leaders Index: 102.04 up 0.43  
New York: Dow Jones Industrial Average: (latest) 1217.64 down 5.53  
Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones Index: 10,584.20 down 2.07  
Hong Kong: Hang Seng Index: 926.78 up 4.01  
Amsterdam: 164.5 down 0.1  
Sydney: AO Index 733.4 down 1.3  
Frankfurt: Commerzbank Index: 991.9 up 4.7  
Brussels: General Index: 157.16 up 0.55  
Zurich: SKA General: 307.10 down 0.20

## CURRENCIES

LONDON CLOSE  
Sterling \$1.3080 down 30 pts  
Index 78.1 down 0.1  
DM 3.78 down 0.0075  
FF 11.5875 down 0.0150  
Yen 166 down 0.2  
Dollar  
Index 136.5 unchanged  
DM 2.8860 unchanged  
NEW YORK LATEST  
Sterling \$1.3085  
Dollar DM 2.8880  
INTERNATIONAL  
ECU £0.591497  
SDR £0.775271

## INTEREST RATES

Domestic rates:  
Bank base rates 10%  
Finance houses base rate 11%  
Discount market loans week fixed 10%  
3 month interbank 10 1/4-10 1/2  
Euro-currency rates:  
3 month dollar 11 1/4-11 1/2  
3 month DM 5 1/2-5 3/4  
3 month FF 11 1/4-11 1/2  
US rates:  
Bank prime rate 13.00  
Fed funds 11%  
Treasury long bond 9 1/4-100  
ECOD Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme Interest Payment July 4 to August 7 1984, inclusive: 11.781 per cent.

## GOLD

London fixed (per ounce):  
am \$347.70 pm \$348.25  
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New York (latest): \$347.75  
Kruggerand (per cent):  
\$358.00 - \$360.00 (£273.75 - 274.75)  
Sovereigns (new):  
\$81.50 - \$82.50 (£62.25 - 63)  
Excludes VAT

## Electrolux and Zanussi talks go on

By Jonathan Clare

Representatives of Electrolux, Zanussi and 24 banks met yesterday in London to try to break the impasse which has delayed the creation of the world's biggest manufacturer of washing machines and other domestic appliances.

Electrolux, the Swedish white goods company, offered several alternatives to the 24 non-Italian banks which are owed millions of pounds by Zanussi. Its Italian rival, Zanussi and its domestic Italian bankers - which are owed almost £500m - have been agreed to a rescheduling of the company's debts and to Electrolux taking a 49 per cent stake in the company.

Mr Anders Scharp, Electrolux's managing director, said talks were still underway and he did not know whether agreement could be reached before next week.

Mr Lennart Ribohn, Electrolux's finance director, is in London with the power to make an instant agreement if the right formula can be found.

The 24 foreign banks have complained that they have not been kept as well informed as their Italian counterparts and that Electrolux expects them to write off more of Zanussi's debts than they want. Yesterday's discussions involved both the amount that might be written off as an alternative solution such as interest relief.

A spokesman for one of the banks said they were not happy with Electrolux's initial offer, made in June, but if the Swedish company now provided "a half decent compromise, we would probably accept."

But he warned that the large number of banks involved meant formal acceptance of any proposals could be 10 days away.

Electrolux's agreement with Zanussi is conditional upon the foreign banks accepting the terms. It involves the payment of about £15m to the controlling Zanussi family, and to its other big shareholder, an Austrian company.

## Europe accused of reneging on OECD deal Mixed credits anger US

By John Lawless

The United States is demanding that other Western governments must offer mixed credits to Third World customers only if they contain at least a 50 per cent grant element.

It is furious about the increasing use of such financial packages, which use heavy subsidies to make bids more attractive, to snatch major foreign contracts away from competitors.

The tough United States proposals have been tabled for what promised to be a highly charged meeting of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris on September 17.

The Americans are particularly upset because they quickly

accepted an EEC proposal to limit the use of mixed credit earlier this year, only to find the Community countries backing off from the deal under pressure from France. The EEC proposal was that individual countries would have to give advance notice of their intention to use mixed credits.

"We accepted that on the spot in Europe," a senior United States finance official said in Washington yesterday, "and then the EEC refused to accept its own proposal."

"Countries have come in using official backing literally as close as three days before a deadline, saying that it is foreign aid," he added. "They are just stealing business."

Officials of Eximbank, the US export credit insurance agency, yesterday said that recent investigations had shown blatant misuse of mixed credits in three important contracts involving two won by the French.

However, there is no question of the US threatening other Western governments that it will pull out of the consensus agreement, which limits minimum interest rates on loans to developing countries, if a mixed credits deal is not done on September 17. Mr John Bohm, vice-chairman of Eximbank, who is in London for a conference, yesterday denied a report that he had called it a make-or-break session.

## Venezuela and banks nearer deal on debt

By Peter Wilson-Smith, Banking Correspondent

Talks between Venezuela and its bank advisory committee are due to resume next week on rescheduling a large part of the country's external debt amid signs that the gap between the two sides is narrowing.

Mexico's bank advisory group is also expected to meet again in the middle of next week before circulating all the several hundred creditor banks with details of the multi-year rescheduling deal for Mexico.

Venezuela, which has no need for new loans - and has therefore managed to avoid adopting an International Monetary Fund economic programme - is not expected to win such generous terms from the banks as Mexico.

Originally, the Venezuelans proposed a rescheduling of \$22 billion (£16.8m) of the \$34 billion total external debt over 15 years at a margin of 7 1/2 per cent over London interbank rate.

Commercial banks offered instead to stretch out \$16

billion over nine or 10 years at 1 1/4 per cent over London interbank rate and with a prime option. Further progress is reported to have been made since then.

However, finding a suitable way of monitoring economic performance - a key part of the Mexican deal - could still prove difficult and some banks are also unhappy at Venezuela's failure to bring up to date about \$1 billion of arrears on debts of the private sector.

This week, Brazil completed agreement on the latest stage of its extended arrangement with the IMF and fresh talks are stirring soon with the country's bank creditors in the United States and Britain.

Talks on a multi-year rescheduling deal for Brazil are expected to begin in earnest during the autumn.

Some London bankers believe that Mexico is gaining significant concessions in the multi-year rescheduling deal

## Gibbs Mew postpones account

By Our City Staff

Gibbs Mew, the Salisbury brewer, which came to the Unlisted Securities Market last January, has again delayed publication of its accounts for the year to the end of March because of problems with its Robert Porter bottling offshoot.

The company said that its accounts would be out by yesterday when it announced a month ago that it would miss an earlier profit forecast because a special investigation had uncovered "a further material deficit" at Robert Porter.

The directors now decided that further work is required on the Robert Porter figures. Mr Peter Gibbs, chairman, said that malpractice was not suspected. "It has just taken longer than expected to complete the work. That is all."

"I expect Robert Porter to be back in profit this year. Otherwise we would have taken more stringent action than we have."

## COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

### £9m Australian deal settled

Keywest Investments and Kotaka have settled their conditional takeover of Associated National Life Insurance from Nationale-Nederlanden Australia.

The AS15m (£9.5m) purchase was made through a new company, N.L. Holdings, owned equally by Key-West and Kotaka.

Mr Garner Harrison, managing director of Keywest, said: "We plan to use the resources of Keywest's insurance subsidiary, Clayton Robert Management, to develop a range of new investment products linked to both property and equities markets."

THOMSON ORGANISATION: Six months to June 30. (Figures in pounds millions). Turnover 306.4 (273). Trading profit 10.3 (12.5) after operating costs 296.1 (260.5). Pre-tax profit 6.4 (9.4) after interest expense 3.9 (3.1). Tax 3.3 (2.4). Extraordinary profit 19 (nil) profit on sale of Reuters shares.

● CHEMICAL METHODS ASSOCIATES: Six months to June 30 (figures in \$000s). Sales 5,043 (4,054). Rental 216 (312). Lease interest 142 (63) making total revenue \$4,927 (4,429). Trading profit 262 (262). Interest 126 (64). Translation and exchange losses 9 (78). Pre-tax profit 126 (140). Tax 109 (66). Minorities nil (3). Net income 17 (71). Net income per share \$0.001 (0.005).

● ALLNATT LONDON PROPERTIES: No dividend (5.3p) making 1p (6.2p) for year to March 31 (figures in \$000s). Pre-tax profit 10,584 (9,471). Tax 3,790 (4,180). Extraordinary credit 289 (credit 119).

● ALEXANDERS HOLDINGS: Half year to March 31 (figures in \$000s). Turnover 25,700 (25,900). Pre-tax loss 348 (loss 91). No tax (nil). Extraordinary debit 7 (7). Loss per share 1.1p (0.3p). Shares 77p; down 3p.

● TADDALE INVESTMENTS: Final 1.25p making 2.25p (2.25p on old cap) for year to April 30. Turnover £17,432,918 (£14,037,836). Profit on ordinary activities before tax £2,044,340 (£1,305,351). Tax £46,952 (£52,563). Earnings per share 4.1p (6.1p).

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Bigger stake in Geneva for Midland

Midland Bank has stepped up its shareholding in Handelsbank Midland Bank of Geneva from 69 to 85 per cent, by acquiring the 16 per cent stake held by Banca Commerciale Italiana.

The move was envisaged in the original agreement with Banca Commerciale Italiana, which gave Midland control of the Geneva bank in September 1982.

Union Bank of Switzerland still owns 10 per cent and Credit Suisse the remaining 5 per cent.

● HOLDINGS in Land Securities should be reduced according to the stockbroker Laim & Cruickshank. The broker had few fears about the property group's short term performance, but notes that retained revenues are insufficient to cover the rising cost of modernization work. No new debt has been taken on since 1975, and the bulk of funds for modernization have been generated by asset sales or equity calls.

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Church, the shoe manufacturer, is to pay an unchanged interim dividend of 3p, after pre-tax profits rose from £1m to £1.4m in the six months to June 30.

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## City welcomes motor chief's appointment

# Turnbull takes Inchcape challenge

By Jeremy Warner

Mr George Turnbull, one of the best-known personalities in the motor industry, takes over as managing director of Inchcape, the international trading group, on Monday.

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"Inchcape represents more than 2,500 manufacturers with companies operating in more than 60 countries. We have a unique trading network that can be built on. This is essentially a slow management task which requires careful monitoring from the centre to make sure that all parts of the groups are improving on their market shares."

Mr Turnbull expects to spend the next six months touring the group's far-flung operations. Meanwhile, Inchcape is recovering strongly anyway from the low-ebb it reached a few years ago.

## Aitken may join Espley

Mr Ronald Shuck, chairman of Espley Trust, plans to forestall critical questions at Wednesday's annual meeting with the announcement of new plans for the company.

Among these is expected to be the appointment of Mr Ronald Aitken to the board. Mr Aitken was a director of Espley when it was floated on the stock market by Carr Seab in 1981. He was senior partner of Binder Hamlyn, the chartered accountants, and has been connected with Barker and Dobson, Kunick Holdings and Belhaven Brewery.

Espley shares fell from a 1984 peak of 97p to their present 30p in the wake of news that the company's attributable profits fell from £954,000 the year to September, 1982, to £392,000 for the 15 months to the end of 1983. But the company has been holding meetings for City groups in recent weeks to explain the return of Mr Aitken, which will form part of the company's transition from property to industrial activities.

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## FAMILY MONEY edited by Lorna Bourke

## Telecom fact sheet

The Government is leaving nothing to chance in its attempts to persuade the investing public that British Telecom is a share to buy.

Everything you need to know about the public offer for sale is contained in the British Telecom Share Offer Information Sheet, which answers questions ranging from - What is Privatization? to Can I get My Money Back?

If you write for a copy of the information sheet you will also be sent a copy of the prospectus including a share application form.

The fact sheet is available to anyone who writes to (or telephones) the British Telecom Share Information Office (Tel: 0272-272272) PO Box 1, Bristol, BS99 1BT.

## Greater return

From this weekend, the interest rate on National Savings Income and Deposit Bonds goes up from 10 per cent to 12.75 per cent. Interest is taxable but is paid in full without deduction of tax.

From Monday, the minimum purchase and minimum holding of National Savings Deposit Bonds is reduced from £500 to £250. Minimum investment in the Income Bond remains at £2,000 but it is worth remembering that interest is paid monthly.

## Monthly income

Peckham Building Society will be introducing a monthly income facility on its Super Shares from September 1. These offer a rate of 9.75 per cent of basic rate tax, equivalent to 13.50 per cent gross, and account holders can receive their interest monthly, if required on accounts with balances of £2,000 or more.

Withdrawals are allowed without notice and without any interest penalty - as long as the balance remains above the £2,000 threshold. Further details from Peckham Building Society (Tel: 01-639 2254).

## Better cover

Midshires Building Society is improving the terms of its Uncover buildings and contents insurance. For £250 per £1,000 insured, buildings are covered plus contents insurance of up to half the amount of the buildings cover - with a limit of £35,000. Under the new terms, Uncover provides insurance against accidental damage to television, videos, home computers, hi-fi systems and for deterioration of deep-freeze contents. There is also a guarantee of full rebuilding costs even if they exceed the sum insured. Householders may have to pay more than the basic £250 per £1,000 if they live in a high-risk area.

## Oppenheimer launch

Oppenheimer, the first manager, is launching four unit trusts, European Growth, High Income, UK Growth and Pacific Growth. They will be available from Monday. Minimum investment in each fund is £1,000 and there is a fixed price initial offer which closes on September 17 at 25p a unit. The Oppenheimer funds, which have been in existence long enough to establish a track record, have turned in a respectable performance. A sum of £1,000 invested in Oppenheimer's Income and Growth fund five years ago would be worth £1,945 as at July 1, compared with £1,276 from top performing Henderson Income and Growth and £1,123 from the tail-ender, Duncan Lawrie Income.

## Tax warning

The Inland Revenue is getting tough about charging interest on overdue tax. Under the new terms, Uncover provides insurance against accidental damage to television, videos, home computers, hi-fi systems and for deterioration of deep-freeze contents. There is also a guarantee of full rebuilding costs even if they exceed the sum insured. Householders may have to pay more than the basic £250 per £1,000 if they live in a high-risk area.



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But there is a penalty. You will have 90 days interest on the sum withdrawn deducted from your account if you take money out before the fixed period expires. The minimum investment is £500 and you can add to the account. Details from Midshires Building Society Branches or from head office at PO Box 81 Wolverhampton, WV1 1EL (Tel: 0902 710710).

## Index-linked Avon

Avon Insurance is introducing a home and contents insurance policy with the option of paying the premiums in instalments over 12 months. Both the Standard and Extra cover are index-linked, removing the need to increase the sum insured. Features of the new SuperAvon Policy include cover for contents being moved professionally to a new home, replacement of external locks if keys are

stolen, and contents in the garden up to £250. Details from Avon Insurance, Stratford-upon-Avon (Tel: 0789 204211).

## Financial first

A group of London businessmen think it is time British investors were offered a way of channeling their money into socially beneficial enterprises, so it has launched the first "socially and ecologically responsive venture capital service". The Financial Initiative.

Promoters of FIL say it offers an investment consultancy and management service to individuals, organizations and institutions who wish to see their investments generate wealth for the community as well as financial gain for themselves.

Mr Giles Chitty, chief executive, said: "In the States and Europe, particularly Holland, there are a range of channels through which the socially conscious investor can choose, but in England there has so far been very little choice of this kind."

FIL will act as brokers for equity finance for socially and ecologically advantageous businesses, both new and going concerns. A Business Expansion Fund will be established in due course. Details from The Financial Initiative, Yonderover House, Stratford Toney, Salsbury, SP5 4AT (Tel: 07227 223).

## INVESTMENT

## Time to increase liquidity

Investors should consider increasing the liquidity in their portfolios, according to the stockbroker Sheppard and Chase.

Its latest newsletter to clients says: "The rally in the UK market has regained much of the lost ground but unless there are further and unexpectedly favourable interest rate developments, the best has probably been seen."

"Economic fundamentals will reassert themselves and clients should start to increase liquidity again."

The investment review also highlights a little known advantage in a married couple being taxed separately for Capital Gains Tax purposes.

It is widely known that a husband and wife can claim only £5,600 of exempt gains between them in the current tax year. What is not so widely appreciated, however, is that they can elect to be taxed separately for CGT purposes, and that such an election can produce tactical benefits as far as the carry forward of losses is concerned.

Take, for example, the situation where a wife's portfolio contains a £5,600 capital gain, and the husband's portfolio contains a £5,600 loss. If they are taxed jointly, no tax is payable but the gain will cancel out the loss as far as the future is concerned.

If they are taxed separately, however, the wife's £5,600 gain is exempt, and the husband's loss can be carried forward for future use. This separate elec-

## Strong dollar boosts trusts

Investment trusts continue to outperform the market with a rise in the Financial Times Actuaries Investment Trust index of 176.9 per cent over the five years to July 31, 1984, compared with an increase of only 144.7 per cent in the FT Actuaries All Share Index over the same period.

Full 33 per cent of investment trusts' assets invested in North America, the strength of the dollar over sterling during July boosted the underlying asset values of investment trusts and helped to alleviate the falls on Wall Street.

## TOP 20 FIVE YEARS TO JULY 1, 1984

Trust	Total Return
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GT Japan	+361.5
Bary	+328.7
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Murray Income	+273.4
Edinburgh Amer Assets	+269.7
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English & Scottish Group	+248.1
Flaming Far Eastern	+245.8
London & Siratholde	+240.4
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## TAX ADVICE

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taxes which must be considered, sided.

As a general introduction to the tax system and a guide to some of the planning points which could easily be overlooked by the layman, it will be very useful although it will not replace the financial adviser for the more complex tax affairs.

"Tolly's Tax Guide 1984-85 is available in bookshops now, price £10.50 until September 15 when it falls to £9.95."

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Teachers Bullion	0	3,000	9.88
Chesham 2 Year	0	10,000	9.85
Income Bond			(m)
Town & Country 90	0	10,000	9.84
Nottingham Oddfellows	1	1,000	9.88
Monthly Income			(m)
Peterborough Monthly	1	1,000	9.84
Income			(m)
Bolton 1 Month	1	1,000	9.83
Hemel Hempstead Cent Share	2	1,000	9.88
Bolton 3 Month	3	2,000	10.04
Marsden Supershares	3	1,000	10.04
Paddington Maxi	3	1,000	9.75
Guardian Supershares	6	1,000	9.98
St Pancras Extra Yield	6	6,000	9.98

(m) - monthly income

Source: Building Society Choice

\* quoted interest rate

Leeds Permanent Building Society delighted investors and administered a blow to its competitors with the launch this week of its Liquid Gold account, paying a generous 9.25 per cent net of basic rate tax, with instant access to cash and no penalty on withdrawal.

This is the highest return available on a no-notice account from any of the big five building societies, and is likely to force a rethink on rates among other societies. "We think we will clean up on this one," commented Mr Michael Megarry, of Leeds Permanent. Minimum investment is £500.

Leeds is expecting the money to come rolling in although no one is prepared to commit themselves on just how much the account is expected to attract. The aim is to get rid of home loan queues at Leeds branches. "Mortgages on demand is what we want," Mr Megarry said.

Overall the societies have had a poor month - net receipts are not expected to exceed £300m compared with £608m in July and £630m during June.

"We thought long and hard before introducing this account. The move places us in a very competitive position that will be difficult to beat," said Mr Peter Hemingway, chief general manager of the Leeds.

Nearest rival to the new Leeds account is the Cheltenham & Gloucester's Cheltenham Gold account, paying 9 per cent, which has been market leader among the big national societies since its launch in April 1981. The Leeds move prompted an instant reaction from the C & G, which announced an immediate re-

view of the rates paid on the Cheltenham Gold account. Mr Andrew Longhurst, chief general manager of the C & G, said: "The Cheltenham Gold monthly interest account, offering a return of 9.38 per cent, already beats the rate announced by the Leeds. However, we are determined that the Cheltenham Gold remains the best."

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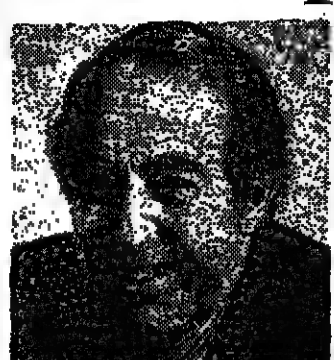
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Peter Hemingway

to review rates and it seems likely that there will be an increase and possibly a reduction in the minimum qualifying investment in the account.

It was the launch of the Cheltenham Gold account which put the first nail in the coffin of the Building Societies Association's interest rate cartel - now totally demolished.

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## BURGLARY

## Insurance discounts at a premium

Burglary has become so widespread that every 90 seconds a house is ransacked. But the statistics are meaningless, until it happens to you. And the losses suffered by the householder are reflected in the miserable performance of household insurance business by the insurance companies.

They make a paper loss on this sort of cover and keep doing it only because they can play the markets with the premium money before they have to pay it all out again in claims.

Surprisingly, few insurance companies give householders any financial incentive to take sensible precautions such as security locks, bolts and burglar alarms.

Sun Alliance offers a 10 per cent discount on premiums for "good quality protection" (not necessarily a burglar alarm) on their up-market Firemark policy which has a minimum contents cover of £20,000.

The other discounts in the market are tied to a particular burglar alarm company. Cornhill offers a 5 per cent reduction on premiums where Chubb alarms are fitted and the Economic through Life and General offers 10 per cent discount if you install Hoover burglar alarms.

"The cost of verification has been one of the reasons why major insurers have not offered security discounts before," says Sun Alliance. "It remains a

problem for low premium business, but Sun Alliance feels that the higher sums insured under Firemark policies do justify rewarding the careful householder."

Despite the discount, the Firemark policy is not the cheapest you can find. But, different policies are not strictly comparable - the Firemark offers lots of frills such as cover for money, travel tickets and credit cards and the replacement of locks if keys are lost or stolen.

A house in central London (but not in the area's highest risk parts) would rate a premium of £23.15 per hundred for high risk items and £1.08 for all other property with the security discount.

But under the TSB scheme which grades minimum cover according to the area and of the house - a four bedroom semi-detached house in central London requiring a minimum of £20,000 cover would cost 75p per £100 for contents. For all risks cover you pay 60 per cent of the premium for 10 per cent of the cover (i.e. £90 for £2,000 cover which works out at £4.50 per £100).

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## FAMILY MONEY

## LEGAL EXPENSES

## Cover that meets the cost of justice

The imminent demise of the conveyancing monopoly has forced a re-think among the legal profession about the levels of charges. The signs are that in the face of the likely incursion of banks, building societies and estate agents, solicitors are reducing their conveyancing fees.

Moreover, with the legal profession shortly to become free to advertise, charges should become more competitive.

Nevertheless, litigation costs will still remain high and often be a strong deterrent discouraging aggrieved parties from seeking to enforce their legal rights.

Until fairly recently, legal aid or substantial private resources provided the only financial incentives to pursue a claim. At least that was the position until legal expenses insurance became widely available.

Those most likely to benefit from this insurance are people who do not come within the narrow financial limits for legal aid. But even if your finances do qualify you for legal aid this should not automatically lead you to discount legal expenses insurance altogether.

Legal aid is not all-embracing; you cannot, for example, obtain legal aid for representation before an industrial tribunal.

There are several reasons why you should consider legal expenses insurance. In the usual forum for resolving consumer disputes — county court arbitration for cases involving under £500 — each side normally has to bear its own costs, whatever the outcome.

Even in civil disputes too large to come within the arbitration scheme, awards of costs to the winner are rarely a full indemnity for one's outlay. The standard practice is for the losing party to pay approximately two-thirds of the winner's

costs, leaving the winner to pay the balance.

Moreover, in addition to indemnifying you for costs, insurance can often secure you a higher settlement for your claim than you would obtain had you been self-financed.

This is because the pressure on you to accept a lower settlement figure than your case merits is alleviated by the fact that the insurance company will be paying your costs. Low tactical offers of settlement — the favourite ploy of litigants, particularly insurance companies — can be rejected until you receive a reasonable offer.

What will legal expenses insurance cover you for? Most companies will provide cover for practically any form of contentious issue, whether you are pursuing or defending the action.

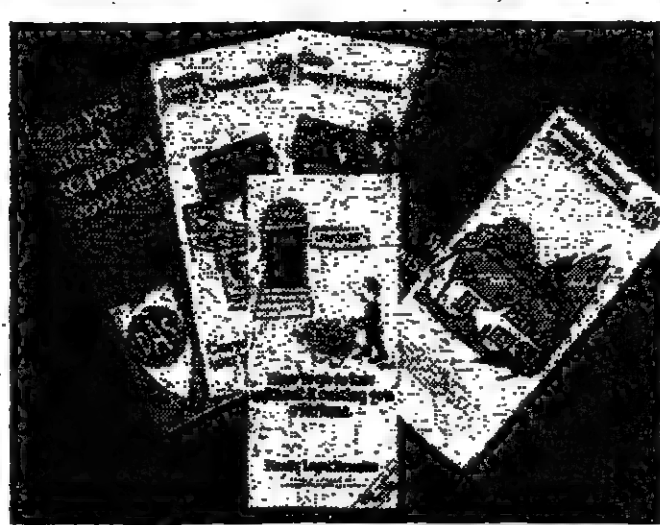
Consumer and employment disputes, personal injuries claims, motoring offences and accidents, landlord and tenant disputes — these are a few examples of areas where legal expenses insurers offer comprehensive cover.

But bear in mind that non-contentious matters, such as conveyancing or probate charges will not be covered. And only limited cover is available for matrimonial disputes.

Premiums vary considerably as does the amount of cover offered so you must shop around. In addition all policies limit the amount of the indemnity against your legal costs.

Take for example the family legal benefits policy marketed by Legal Benefits. Basic cover for costs of up to £5,000 is available for a premium of £80 per annum or £90 if you pay in monthly instalments.

The premium will provide cover for the policyholder and immediate family living in the home in respect of claims by or against them and not already covered by existing insurance.



Taking cover: it pays to shop around for the best policy

Some companies offer specific policies to cover particular legal areas where problems frequently occur.

For an annual premium of £40 D.A.S. Legal Expenses Insurance will provide cover of up to £10,000 for homeowners who let their homes intending to recoup them later. This will cover the costs of pursuing claims for rent arrears, damage, and possession proceedings.

Such problems are common in short-term private lettings where having the law on your side often does not avoid months of expensive litigation. The D.A.S. policy will also cover hotel expenses of £25 a day for 28 days while the tenant unlawfully remains in occupation.

Another useful facet of legal expenses insurance is the 24-hour legal advisory service

which companies such as Hambro Housley and Legal Benefits include in the insurance package. This gives policyholders free and instant access to legal advice over the telephone on practically any legal problem.

Legal expenses insurance is available either as a separate policy or as an optional extra to your household insurance. There are also a host of commercial legal expenses policies for the company, sole trader or partnership, often providing group cover at discounted rates.

However, although legal expenses insurance may seem like a relatively inexpensive way of guaranteeing untroubled sleep at night, it certainly will not give you carte blanche to go litigation-crazy.

For a start the insurance companies invariably reserve the right not to accept a claim even where the subject matter falls squarely within your indemnity policy. If the company does not think you have a reasonable chance of success it will not provide the indemnity

for your legal costs. In other words the company always has the final say, although you have to plough through the small print of the policies to discover this.

Moreover, once over this hurdle and into the realm of insured legal costs, you are never in full and final control of your case.

Most policies oblige you to refer to the insurance company before your solicitor incurs sizable items of expenditure, such as barristers' fees, and all policies reserve the right to terminate cover should you not accept an offer of settlement which the company thinks is acceptable.

All policies also have specific exclusions which are more fully detailed in the policy itself rather than the promotional leaflet which you are sent at first.

Among the standard exclusions will be costs incurred in proceedings against you alleging dishonesty or intentional violence — unless, of course, you turn out to be innocent.

Furthermore you cannot take out legal expenses cover for impending litigation where you knew or ought to have known that you were likely to be involved in a claim at the time you took out the policy. If the claim materializes it will not be covered under your policy.

The moral must be that, if you are contemplating legal expenses insurance, shop around and always ask for a specimen policy.

Further information may be had from D.A.S. Legal Expenses Insurance Co (Tel: 0272 290321); Hambro Housley Legal Protection (Tel: 0206 870570); Legal Benefits (Tel: 01-661 1491); and JRPC Legal and Personnel Insurance Services (Tel: 0455-614349).

Martin Griffiths

## INSURANCE

## 'Unrealistic' projections criticized

Norwich Union has added its voice to the growing criticism of those life assurance companies which sell with-profit policies on the basis of unrealistic projections of future returns.

In recent years, the future projections by companies have been used increasingly by both intermediaries and clients as the yardstick by which to measure competing policies, said Mr Hugh Scurlfield the managing director of Norwich Union life.

These projections were often misleadingly high. Many companies, for example, have been publishing projections for new 25-year endowment policies which are anywhere between 30 and 50 per cent more than they are actually paying out on similar policies now.

One reason for this is that many companies base their terminal bonus projection on a percentage of their annual bonus figure, but there is no reason to suppose that annual bonus figures would stay at their high levels over 15 or 20 years, said Mr Scurlfield.

The problem of projections has become particularly acute because rates of return on life company investments have been unusually high over the last few years. This has enabled companies to pay historically high bonuses. But to assume this rate of growth will continue over long periods — as the projections do — is unrealistic.

One obstacle is simply that the companies that do have a genuinely good investment record and can expect to do well in the future do not want any system which would not let them take full advantage of this in their marketing.

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## BUSINESS EXPANSION SCHEME

## Granville confident of hitting £2m target for third fund

Granville, the market maker in Over-The-Counter shares, has launched its third fund in the crowded Business Expansion Scheme field.

The fund aims to raise £2m by October 15, and in spite of the difficulty some funds have had in raising cash, Granville is confident of reaching its target.

It believes that many investors have been deterred by fears of difficulties in getting out of investments once the five years of tax relief are over.

But Granville's own Over-The-Counter market, which matches buyers and sellers of shares in unquoted companies, gives a potential "in-house exit" for investors.

A company would have to be in a healthy shape to make it possible, but Granville is committed to making a market or persuading the managers to buy in shares.

Granville's experience with unquoted companies gives it a track record, and indeed its last BES fund — 1984/5, invested £1.8m in seven companies, all of which are making profits.

But the seven companies, which are involved in greeting cards, computer disk packs, self-assembly kitchens, boat accessories, animal feed, the Magnet division of BOC (a management buyout) and commercial video, were already profitable at the time of investment.

"We look for attractive propositions without high risk," said the managing director, Mr Robin Hodgson.



Robin Hodgson: avoiding risk

have been cut from 6 per cent on the last BES fund to 4 per cent, after complaints that the charges were too high.

Granville says that now it has experience in the BES field it can set up a fund more cheaply. For instance, forms of words have been agreed with the Inland Revenue, which can be used again without protracted talks.

The minimum investment is £2,500, although the average investment made by the 300 investors in the last fund was between £6,000 and £7,000.

Granville is launching a new fund next weekend which will be open for six weeks until October 12. The fund is open-ended, but will be viable as long as it pulls in at least £500,000. Last year Britannia aimed for £2.5m, but received £1.4m.

The Britannia fund charges 5 per cent initially, plus a 5 per cent exit fee based on the final value of the investment.

"That means that we get rewarded if we do well — the client will be pleased and so will we," said Mr Richard Bagge, the marketing director of Britannia unit trusts.

Britannia, unlike most companies, does not reserve the option to take up shares in the companies in which it invests.

The funds have to be invested before the end of the tax year for investors to qualify for tax relief at their marginal rate. The later that funds leave their closing date the more difficult it will be to find quality investments.

Yet the funds have to balance this against investors' desire to hang on to their money as long as possible.

If investors buy in early they do not have a complete picture of their tax position for the year, and they forego interest, which instead accrues to the fund.

Vivien Goldsmith

### BES FUNDS STILL OPEN

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## BBC 1

- 6.20 Open University: Unit 8.25.  
6.40 The Saturday Picture Show presented by Mark Curry. Maggie Philbin is in the Yorkshire Dales watching the progress of 30 young people as they take part in a number of selection tests for Operation Raleigh's four-year round the world expedition. Back in the studio the special guest is juggling gold medals. Tessie Sanderson and the pop music is provided by The Adventures. 10.12 Weather.
- 10.15 Grandstand introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is: 10.15, 1.30, 2.30, 3.30, 5.30 and 5.55 Cricket from Lord's. The final of the NatWest Bank Trophy between Middlesex and Kent. 12.45 News. 12.50 Bob Wilson's Football Focus. 1.15 Stirling's Footballers' Special. 1.55, 2.25, 2.55 and 3.25 Reporting from Chester. Coverage of the Llandudno Stakes (2.00). The Barry Magdoo Sun Seeker Handicap (3.00). The Barry Magdoo Sun Seeker Handicap (3.00). The commentators are Julian Whigg and Jimmy Lindsay. 3.55 Football half-time scores. 4.35 Final Score.
- 5.05 1 On the Road. Peter Powell introduces Depeche Mode and Heaven 17 from the Academy Club, Plymouth while the Roadshow visits Plymouth Hoe.
- 5.35 News with Jan Leeming. 5.45 Sport and regional news.
- 5.50 The Noel Edmonds Late Late Breakfast Show. The first of a new series comes live from a new studio in the City of London.
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- 7.10 Juliet Bravo. The first of a 14-part drama series starring Anna Carter as Inspector Kate Langton who, this week, has the task of finding an important witness who has been upset by one of Inspector Langton's colleagues.
- 8.00 The Paul Daniels Magic Show. A new series presented by the comedian and clever magician. His guests are Norm Nielsen, a magician from Great Britain; Samson, a strongman from Great Britain; and comedian Bernie Winters.
- 8.40 News and sport. With Jan Leeming.
- 8.50 Film: Parton-Lust for Glory (1984) starring George C. Scott and Karl Malden. First class performances from Scott and supporting cast in a dramatic story that traces the rise and fall of the controversial United States general. With the late Michael Caine as Field Marshal Montgomery. Directed with panache by Franklin J. Schaffner.
- 11.40 The Animals in Concert. Highlights of the final concert of a 50 venue tour across three continents by the group that had their first hit record more than two decades ago.
- 12.30 Weather.

## tv-am

- 6.25 Good Morning Britain presented by Henry Kelly. Saturday City at 6.30 deals with home security; news at 7.00 and 8.00; the Greene's dream home at 7.45. The guests are George Best and family, Michael Parkinson, Van Morrison and Kenny Lynch.
- 8.40 SPLAT! includes the final of the general knowledge quiz for 12-year olds.
- ITV/LONDON
- 9.25 Cartoon Time. 9.30 Fraggle Rock starring Fulton Mackay. 10.00 The Saturday Starship. A new series of programmes featuring pop videos, cartoons, film clips and spectacular stunts.
- 11.20 Mister T. The first of a new series of animated adventures featuring the hulk of the A-Team. 11.45 Catwallow (r).
- 12.15 World of Sport introduced by Jim Rosenthal. The line-up is: 12.20 Athletics: The Golden Mile from Rome. 12.30 Cycling: The World Championships from Barcelona. 12.45 News. 12.50 On the Ball with Ian St John and Jimmy Greaves. 1.20 The TV Seven's 1.30, 2.00, 2.30 and 3.00 races from Sandown and the 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 from Ripon. At 1.35 The 4.00 Boxing from the Rivers Hotel, Las Vegas. The Heavyweight Championship of the USA and the WBC Heavyweight Championship. 3.50 and 4.25 Water Skiing. The KP World Cup. 4.45 Results.
- 5.00 News. 5.05 The Krenkies Klub. A new comedy series. 5.35 Blackadder. General knowledge quiz.
- 6.05 The A-Team. A new series begins with 'Hannibal' Smith leading his gang of irregulars in an attack on an army base in order to uncover a crooked officer who may also be a traitor.
- 7.00 Punctilious. Lennie Bennett introduces a new series of quiz games.
- 7.30 Bottle Boys. A new situation comedy starring Robin Askwith as a milk roundman (Orchestra title page 170).
- 8.00 3-2-1. A new series of the quiz and game show presented by Ted Rogers. (Orchestra title page 170).
- 8.00 The Gentle Touch. Jill Gascoine stars as Det Insp Maggie Forbes in the first of a new series. Tonight she is to cope with a gang of snark-like crooks who find a large loot - with fatal results (Orchestra title page 170).
- 10.00 News.
- 10.15 Film: The Enforcer (1976) starring Clint Eastwood as the embittered San Francisco police inspector, Harry Callaghan, on the trail of a group of young killers responsible for the death of his partner. Directed by James Fargo.
- 12.05 London news headlines followed by Bellamy. The policeman's horseplay is interrupted by a series of sex murders.
- 1.45 Night Thoughts.

## BBC 2

- 6.25 Open University: Ecology. 8.30 Recycling Domestic Refuse. 7.15 Topography: Flow. 7.40 Structural Power. 8.05 Unemployment in Cymru. 8.30 Interpretation in the Arts. 8.55 Display and Recording. 9.20 Jung to Britain. 9.45 The People's Game. 10.10 Maths: Complex Analysis. 10.35 Learning Problems. 11.00 Comparing Trade Unions. 1.15 Cost-Benefit Analysis. 11.50 Continental Can at the EEC. 12.15 Reading: Resource Development. 12.40 Shortlisted School. 1.05 Pure Maths: Knots. 1.30 The Philosophy of Science. 2.15 Redlining the City. 2.30 Volunteers and Self-sufficiency. 2.45 Modern Art: Pollock.
- 3.10 Film: Second Chance (1983) starring Robert Mitchum, Linda Darnell and Jack Palance. Thriller, first released in 3-D, about two characters, both trying to escape their past, who meet in Mexico - one a disillusioned boxer, the other a woman on the run from her gangster boyfriend. Directed by Rudolph Maltz.
- 4.30 Cricket: The NatWest Bank Trophy Final from Lord's. If the game is not over by 7.25 coverage will continue with the possibility of the following programmes being disrupted.
- 7.25 News and Sport.
- 7.40 The Sky at Night. Patrick Moore talks about the 1984-85 season's largest moon (r).
- 8.00 Postscript: J. P. Priestley Remembered. Robert Robinson presents a portrait of and tribute to the literary lion who died last month. With contributions from, among others, Angus Wilson, Michael Foot, and Priestley's widow, Jacqueline Hawkes.
- 8.55 Derek Bourgeois - Composer. A film portrait of the new musical director of the National Youth Orchestra.
- 9.25 Film: Cutting it Short (1980). The first showing on British television for this Czechoslovak-made comedy centred around a small town brewery in the 1920s and the effect the arrival of a boozier brother has on a mundane but happy marriage. The director is Jit Maresal of Closely Observed Trains fame.
- 11.00 News with Jan Leeming.
- 11.05 Cricket. Highlights of today's NatWest Bank Trophy final at Lord's. Ends at 11.55.
- 1.00 Close-down.

## CHANNEL 4

- 2.00 Living in the Same World. An examination into the question of equal opportunities in further education for people with disabilities. With subtitles and sign language (r).
- 2.25 Film: Song Without End (1980) starring Dirk Bogarde and Cassandra. Love story about the composer Franz Liszt. Directed by Charles Vidor.
- 4.50 A Chivalry Tale. An animated film about the battle between a knight and a young man who wants to sit on it.
- 5.05 Brookside. A compilation of the week's two episodes.
- 6.00 Eay Say. The last in the present series and part of the programme will be devoted to highlights of previous interviews. Elsewhere there is a profile of the group Pop TV and a feature on a new set of Mods who live in Los Angeles.
- 7.00 News summary followed by Revelations in which Sir Nicholas de la Parra talks about his life's spiritual journey.
- 7.30 World Affairs. Spain. The perestroika programme in the second of a series devoted to the wildlife of Spain examines the Coto Doñana, the national park for migratory birds that lies in the delta of the River Guadalquivir.
- 8.00 The Good, the Bad and the Ugly. The second of three programmes about the biological effects of electricity and Dr Stephen Perry, a Wolverhampton-based practitioner, talks about his research into the possible connection between suicide and proximity to power lines.
- 9.00 Callen is told that The Section is required to carry out a special operation involving the harassment of a minor Russian diplomat.
- 10.00 A Frame with Davis. The second programme in the repeat series and the snooker champion talks to Barry Crick and John Junnik.
- 10.30 Film: Fog Over Cresset (1934) starring Boris Davis. Thriller with Miss Davis playing a young socialite who unwittingly becomes involved with the underworld. Directed by William Clemens.
- 11.00 News with Jan Leeming.
- 11.05 Cricket. Highlights of today's NatWest Bank Trophy final at Lord's. Ends at 11.55.
- 1.00 Close-down.

## BBC 1

- 6.20 Open University: Unit 8.50. 8.00 Bed. A See-Saw programme for the very young (r). 9.15 Knock Knock. Children's stories from around the world (r). 9.30 This is the Day. Sunday worship with residents of St Christopher's Hospice, Sydenham. 10.00 Aalen Magazine. Highlights of Asian athletes in action at the Los Angeles Olympics; plus music and an item on the School of Oriental and African Studies. 10.30 Close-up.
- 1.00 Farming. 1.25 Artists in Print. Elen Kuhn makes a screen-printing and Gerd Wimmer works with the celebrated master-printer, Chris Prater (r).
- 1.50 News headlines. 1.55 Mickey and Donald. Cartoon.
- 2.15 Film: The Great Escape (1963) starring Steve McQueen and James Garner. A US Cavalry is having a hard enough time fighting marauding Indians on the Mexican border without the arrival of his estranged wife and trooper son. Directed by John Ford.
- 4.00 Bonanza. Western adventures with the gang from the Ponderosa where, this week, the ranch's cook, Hop Sing, is swept off his feet by a wild woman of the woods.
- 4.50 The Butterfly Ball. A documentary that follows the search of the Uffington Road Dancers, a group of mentally handicapped young people, as they prepare their version of the children's story The Butterfly Ball and the Grasshopper Feast (r).
- 5.20 From Where I Stand. Michael Fortunato, a priest of the Roman Catholic Church in London explains how his faith helps him cope with life in Britain (r).
- 5.50 News with Jan Leeming.
- 6.00 Dombey and Son. Episode seven of the 10-part dramatization of Charles Dickens's novel and Dombey goes to Leamington Spa to recover from the death of young Paul (r) (Orchestra title page 270).
- 6.30 Excuse My French. Joe Brown goes to grips with the French language.
- 6.40 Songs of Praise from the Spa Pavilion Gardens, Folkestone (Orchestra title page 270).
- 7.15 Master of the Game. Part one of three-episode adaptation of Sidney Sheldon's best-selling novel starring Danny Cannon as the dominating matchmaker of the world's elite. The series is set in South Africa at the turn of the century. Her father was swindled by a Boer merchant and had vowed revenge - something that his daughter would pursue at her life. With Ian Charleson and Charlie Lunt (Orchestra title page 270).
- 8.30 News with Jan Leeming.
- 8.45 Sunday Night at the Proms introduced by Richard Baker. The Philharmonia Orchestra, leader Christopher Warren-Green, conducted by Bernard Haitink and the women's voices of the Philharmonia Chorus perform Gustav Holst's The Planets.
- 10.45 An Inspector Calls. By J. B. Priestley. A family dinner is disrupted by the arrival of a police inspector - or is he? Starring Bernard Hepton, Nigel Davenport and Margaret Tappett (r).
- 12.10 Weather.

## tv-am

- 7.25 Good Morning Britain, presented by David Frost.
- 7.30 Rub-a-Dub-Tub (r).
- 8.30 Good Morning Britain continues with news headlines from Jayne Irving and the first television interview with Robert Maxwell since he became the proprietor of Mirror Group Newspapers.
- ITV/LONDON
- 9.25 Cartoon Time. 9.35 The Smurfs. 9.50 Cartoon Time. 10.00 Morning Show. Farm Country from St James's Church, The Hill Road, Coventry (Orchestra title page 170). 11.00 Link. Kevin Mulvaney talks to Graham Miller who runs a support group for carers. 11.30 The Big Match. How We Used to Live. Mike Hird goes behind the scenes of the award-winning Schools programme, How We Used to Live (r).
- 12.00 From the Shadow of the Gull. The author of the novel Northern Ireland. The second programme in the series and Mary Holland examines the strong national feelings felt by the Catholics and the Protestants. 1.00 The Adlonia British Marathon 1984. The first of three live visits to Bolton where international long distance runners are joined by the enthusiastic amateurs.
- 1.15 The Big Match. Brian Moore introduces highlights from two of yesterday's matches from the Cathlamet and the Platform 2. The last programme of the series and Paul Johnson and Janet Radcliffe Richards are joined by Prabhu Gupta, a Hindu follower of Ghandi and a gospel singer Sheila Walsh.
- 2.30 London news headlines followed by The Smurfs.
- 3.00 The Adlonia British Marathon 1984. 4.00 TV Times Star Family Challenge. The final programme of the series in which celebrities and their families compete in contests with prize money going to charities. 4.30 The Adlonia British Marathon 1984.
- 5.00 Bulky. A new series of the arts and general knowledge quiz.
- 5.30 Magnum. A cocktail waitress hires the private detective's services.
- 6.30 News.
- 6.40 Highway. Harry Secombe begins a new season with a flight northwards from Gatwick Airport.
- 7.15 Child's Play. Michael Aspel introduces a new series of the game in which a panel has to discover what a young person is trying to describe.
- 7.45 Film: Moonstruck (1979) starring Roger Moore as James Bond. In this adventure, James is pitted against the sinister Hugo Drax. Directed by Lewis Gilbert.
- 10.00 News.
- 10.15 Time and the Priestesses. J.B.'s son Tom in conversation with his father. Extracts from J.B. Priestley's letters and books are read by Derek Jacobi.
- 11.15 London news headlines followed by Alaska: Technology and Time. A documentary about the controversy over the granting of oil exploration rights in Alaska.
- 12.10 Night Thoughts.

## BBC 2

- 6.25 Open University: Chemical Processes: Polymerisation. 6.50 A Community by Design? 7.15 The Polymer Year. 7.40 Brian or Rosemary? 8.05 Members of the Jury. 8.30 From Perfidio to Granite. 8.55 Mechanics of Madness. 9.30 Maths: Mathematical Inductions. 9.45 Quantum Theory: Identical Particles. 10.10 The Art of Physics. 10.35 Herod and Judas. 11.00 Computing: Simulation Models. 11.25 Conversion with Computers. 11.50 The Plant Cell Wall. 12.15 Energy Resources. Alternatives. 12.40 Heart of Darkness. By Joseph Conrad. 1.05 Subject Talk at School. 1.30 Maths Methods: Hallways Cornet.
- 1.55 Sunday Grandstand. Three sports covered this afternoon. Includes a John Player Special League game; Athletics from Alexander Stadium, Birmingham; the GRE Men's Gold and Women's Jubilee Cup Finals; and Tennis: the US Open Championships.
- 6.50 News Review. A digest of the week's news with Jan Leeming. Subtitled.
- 7.15 Elgar (1857-1934) A Commemorative Concert. The Orchestral repertoire recorded in Worcester Cathedral on the opening night of the 25th Three Choirs Festival. With Janet Baker, Stuart Burrows, Benjamin Luxon with the Festival Chorus and the BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, conductor Andrew Davis (Part two at 8.10).
- 8.05 News with Jan Leeming.
- 8.10 Elgar's The Dream of Gerontius, part two.
- 8.15 A Moment to Talk. The perestroika programme in the series that explores on ordinary working men and women as they take a break from their labours.
- 8.30 Marie Curie. The fifth and final instalment of the dramatized biography of the celebrated scientist, Marie Curie. Lapointe in the title role (Orchestra title page 270).
- 10.25 Film: The Assassination of Trotsky (1972) starring Richard Burton. The first showing on British television for this dramatic account of the events that led to the murder of Leon Trotsky in Mexico. With Alan Delon, Romy Schneider and Valentina Cortese. Directed by Joseph Losey.
- 12.05 The 1984 US Open Tennis Championships. The first of a series of nightly reports from New York on the day's action at Flushing Meadows. Ends at 12.50.

## CHANNEL 4

- 2.00 Irish Angle. Next week at Dublin's Phoenix Park, rearsources Europe's second richest horse race will be the Phoenix Champions Stakes. Irish Angle charts the remarkable success story of racing in Ireland over the past 15 years.
- 2.30 The Actor and the Role. Jill Gascoine and what the effect of playing the Biblical character Ruth had on her.
- 3.00 Look Forward to a new season of American Football beginning at 6.00.
- 3.15 Harting - the All Ireland Final. Cork meet Offaly in the Temple Stadium, Thurles. Co Tipperary's commentator is Michael O'Hair.
- 5.00 The Elastic Church. Alan Bennett is the narrator of this documentary exploring the current theological debate in the Church of England in which modern theological scholarship is being rejected by a majority of the clergy who choose to ignore the deliberations of the Doctrine Commission. The body of theologians is trying to weigh modern scholarship against traditional authority on two specific subjects - the image of God and the doctrine of the Holy Spirit. The documentary is narrated by John Taylor, Bishop of Winchester is among those interviewed as is Bishop Trevor Huddleston who appeals to the Anglican Church to formulate a theology of creation.
- 6.00 American Football presented by Nicky Home and John Smith. They report from Los Angeles's Memorial Coliseum on the coming season.
- 7.10 News summary and weather.
- 7.15 Playing Shakespeare. John Barton introduces the sixth programme in the series which shows how actors bring to life the words of Shakespeare to life. Tonight, Mr Barton and his group of Royal Shakespeare Company actors examine how the intellectual and emotional demands of the role of Hamlet should be balanced.
- 8.15 Upstairs, Downstairs. Australia's first series. Gregory Winton appears on the scene once again and contacts Rose.
- 8.15 The Royal College of Music. A profile of the college, introduced by the President of its centenary appeal, HRH Prince Charles.
- 10.15 Film: The Best Man (1964) starring Henry Fonda and Cliff Robertson. A comedy drama about two men who are Presidential nominees. Directed by Franklin J. Schaffner.
- 12.05 Close-down.

## Radio 4

- Programmes as long wave. 1 indicates stereo on VHF.
- 6.25 Shipping Forecast. 6.30 News. 6.45 The Day After Tomorrow. Perspective. 6.55 Weather. Travel.
- 7.00 News. 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 Daily News. 7.20 Today's Papers. 7.25 News. 7.30 Today's Papers. 7.35 Daily News. 7.40 News. 7.45 Today's Papers. 7.50 News. 7.55 Daily News. 8.00 News. 8.05 Today's Papers. 8.10 News. 8.15 Today's Papers. 8.20 News. 8.25 Today's Papers. 8.30 News. 8.35 Today's Papers. 8.40 News. 8.45 Today's Papers. 8.50 News. 8.55 Today's Papers. 9.00 News. 9.05 Today's Papers. 9.10 News. 9.15 Today's Papers. 9.20 News. 9.25 Today's Papers. 9.30 News. 9.35 Today's Papers. 9.40 News. 9.45 Today's Papers. 9.50 News. 9.55 Today's Papers. 10.00 News. 10.05 Today's Papers. 10.10 News. 10.15 Today's Papers. 10.20 News. 10.25 Today's Papers. 10.30 News. 10.35 Today's Papers. 10.40 News. 10.45 Today's Papers. 10.50 News. 10.55 Today's Papers. 11.00 News. 11.05 Today's Papers. 11.10 News. 11.15 Today's Papers. 11.20 News. 11.25 Today's Papers. 11.30 News. 11.35 Today's Papers. 11.40 News. 11.45 Today's Papers. 11.50 News. 11.55 Today's Papers. 12.00 News. 12.05 Today's 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